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WHITEAWAY'S

Voyage To Aust. Begins Soon

Latest News
From Manila

INFORMATION received from Manila this morning discloses that the first ship to take Hongkong women and children evacuees to Australia will arrive there to-morrow.

Civilian families are to leave Hongkong first, according to this information, which was released by the British Consul General.

Army and navy personnel will follow later.

Four Dutch and two British ships are being used to transport the evacuees to Australia.

Passengers will travel in complete comfort, ordinary passenger standards being observed aboard the vessels.

The first vessel to leave Manila will be a Dutch ship, which will carry 600 passengers, including those still remaining at Fort McKinley.

Another three Dutch ships will leave on July 31. One will have accommodation for 300 civilian evacuees. A second will accommodate 400 wives and families of Royal Navy, Hongkong Dockyard and Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force personnel.

The third ship leaving on July 31 will take the remainder of the naval families and 200 civilians.

A British ship will depart on August 2 with 1,000 wives and families of the Army.

The last civilians to leave for Australia will be those who are now accommodated at Baguio, numbering about 600. They will depart in the first week in August.

THE NAVY'S EXPLOITS

Make Mediterranean
Safe For Our Ships

CAIRO, July 26 (Reuter).—The exploits of the Royal Navy during the past three weeks have put new heart into the near East peoples and have swept away the doubts which arose among Egyptians and others after the collapse of France. When Italy was astride the Mediterranean it was feared that Egypt might be isolated.

The present large British armies was certainly reassuring, but many wondered whether Egypt might not suffer the fate of Abyssinia through slow exhaustion.

The Navy's Answer

The Navy's answer has been to cut a path through the Italian fleet for British shipping and open the Mediterranean to convoys, many of which have already reached Alexandria safely with other supplies.

By sinking Italian submarines in the Red Sea the Navy has also safeguarded the Cape route from England to the Suez by which Egypt continues to get supplies of all kinds.

On the other hand, the Italian possessions of Libya and Abyssinia are semi-isolated.

Score Heavily On Land

As the battlefront on which the coming conflict will be fought is uncertain, the Anglo-Italian land war continues to be based on harassing strategy with the conservation of material as the prime consideration.

In this the British forces have scored heavily.

Italy's empty successes in the Sudan, where overwhelming forces have captured at some cost a few lightly held posts, have been glorified by Italian propaganda to hearten the Southern Italian army cut off in Abyssinia, as well as the civilian population.

The people of Italy are nervous about the fate of thousands of Italian families transferred to Italian possessions in Africa. With Anglo-Egyptian friendship never closer than at present, Egypt is now resigned to France's defeat and have high hopes of an ultimate British victory.

THE WAR FUND

Three donations received yesterday for the S. C. M. Post War Fund amounted to \$300, and raised the total of the fund to \$1,200,111.77.

Western Transylvania In The Balkans Melting Pot NAZIS FORCE RUMANIA TO CEDE TERRITORY

DRAMATIC ATTACK ON CONVOY

Admiralty Admit Loss Of Five Small Ships: Others Damaged

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—An Admiralty communique states that the German communique claiming to have sunk 11 ships totalling 43,000 tons and to have severely damaged a further 12,000 tons of shipping in an air attack on a convoy yesterday in the English Channel is grossly exaggerated.

The facts are that a convoy, consisting of 21 small coastal vessels escorted by trawlers, was heavily attacked by successive waves, each of about 30 German aircraft.

Five small vessels were sunk with a total tonnage of 5,104. A further five small vessels totalling 5,133 tons were damaged and one of these—a 544-ton coaster—had to be beached.

Shortly after these air attacks, nine enemy motor torpedo boats were sighted proceeding to attack the convoy. Two of our destroyers and two motor torpedo boats at once proceeded to intercept and engage the enemy forces.

The enemy motor torpedo boats retired behind a smoke screen immediately on sighting our forces. They were chased and engaged for about 15 minutes.

The damage inflicted on the enemy was not observed owing to the smoke.

Destroyers Attacked

While returning from this chase, our destroyers were twice heavily attacked by German dive-bombers. Both ships sustained some damage and in one, H.M.S. Boreas (Lt. Commr. N. W. Tomkinson), there were casualties.

It was during the air fighting consequent upon enemy attacks on the convoy and our destroyers that a large proportion of the enemy aircraft, already announced by the Air Ministry as destroyed yesterday, was shot down.

Hit 2 Planes
With 1 Shot

Gun-Layer Decorated
With O.B.E. Medal

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—The man who rigged two German planes with one shot has been awarded the Medal of the Order of the British Empire (Civil Division).

He is Elliot Allard, gun-layer of the steamship City of Brussels.

After unloading cargo at Brussels, the steamship was attacked by two enemy aircraft. Allard opened fire with a 12-pounder high-angle gun, and the very first shot bursting on the two machines caused one to crash while the second, obviously damaged, lost height and was reported by several villagers to have also fallen.

Dutch Soldiers Attack
Japanese In Java

BATAVIA, July 26 (Dome).—Mr. Akiyama, a Japanese resident, was attacked and injured by six Dutch soldiers on the street at Majenang, central Java on the night of July 22.

Through Mr. Akiyama sustained only slight injuries, Mr. O. Salto, the Japanese Consul-General, has started an official inquiry into the case and dispatched a report to Tokyo.

He is awaiting instructions from Tokyo before he will possibly take up the matter with the Dutch authorities here.

TYPHOON SIGNAL
HOISTED

The No. 1 typhoon signal was hoisted at 9.30 a.m. to-day. Position is stated to be Lat. 20 degrees and Long. 120 degrees moving west north west, in the vicinity of Balaing channel and Pratas.

BUDAPEST, JULY 26 (REUTER).—IT IS NOW TAKEN FOR GRANTED THAT THE OUTCOME OF THE SALZBURG TALKS WILL BE THAT HERR VON RIBBENTROP WILL FORCE THE RUMANIANS TO YIELD A STRIP OF WESTERN TRANSYLVANIA TO HUNGARY, AND IT ONLY REMAINS TO BE DECIDED HOW WIDE THE STRIP WILL BE.

The view expressed in semi-official and inspired circles is that Hungary will not be content with a half-solution and that Kolosvar (Cluj), the Transylvanian capital, must in any case be handed over.

Some observers think that Hungary will receive her share in two instalments—first in August and the second in September.

The attitude of Moscow continues to arouse the closest interest here. The Hungarian friendship for Germany is now being given full expression.

The Police are busy searching for the originators of the anti-German leaflet propaganda and have instituted measures against the organisation which is believed to have been responsible for the material distributed.

MINISTERS RECEIVED

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—The German news agency reports from Berchtesgaden that Hitler received the Rumanian Prime Minister and Foreign Minister at 4 p.m.

The Rumanian Ministers are leaving this evening for Rome.

FRIENDLY CONVERSATION

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—It is officially announced in Berlin that conversations between Hitler and the Rumanian Ministers, M. Gigurti (Prime Minister) and M. Manolescu (Foreign Minister), lasted two and a half hours.

The tone of the conversations "reflected the friendly relations between Germany and Rumania."

The Rumanian Ministers afterwards left with Herr von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, for Salzburg, from where they will travel to Italy.

Ribbentrop will see them off at the station.

Semi-Official Statement

BUCHAREST, July 26 (Reuter).—A semi-official statement says that "the visit to Germany and Italy of M. Gigurti and M. Manolescu demonstrates the desire of Rumania to contribute effectively to the common life of the Danubian and Balkan states and the maintenance of peace in south-east Europe."

"Rumanian statesmen will make their contribution to the creation of the necessary agreements in this sense without renouncing in any way the national principles which would suggest giving the impression that Rumania is ready for renunciations are unfounded. Rumania is following a profoundly pacific policy and is confident that her neighbours and the great Powers will improve."

"There is throughout the country a firm determination not to allow national interests to be assailed—a firm determination to defend these interests if need be even with arms."

"The Rumanian Government is fulfilling its pacific task with the support of a united public and the Army."

Britain And Bulgaria

SOFIA, July 26 (Reuter).—Competent Hungarian circles state that Bulgaria has been informed, through diplomatic channels, that Britain would view favourably an amicable settlement of the Bulgarian claims to Southern Dobruja.

It is added that this does not represent a change of principle on Britain's part.

The same authority says that an expression of the British attitude has become possible only after the marked swing of the Rumanian Government towards the Axis, and the rejection of the British guarantees.

Soviet Allegations

KIEV, July 26 (Reuter).—A broadside message referring to "frontier" Turn to Page 7, First Column

SETBACK FOR REICH AND JAPAN

Effect Of New U.S.
Licensing System

NEW YORK, July 26 (Reuter).—Considerable interest in the extension of the licensing system to oil and scrap iron exports is indicated by the United States wireless commentators.

All agree that the step constitutes a virtual embargo on such exports to Japan and Spain.

Effect The Same

The well-known commentator, Mr. Raymond Gram Swing, pointed out that President Roosevelt had avoided any criticism or outright hostility to Japan, thereby relieving Japan of any necessity for "face-saving."

But Mr. Gram Swing declared that the effect was the same since the embargo weakens Japan's war strength.

This commentator added that the step is not of direct assistance to China but shows "an entirely new spirit in United States foreign policy."

Germany's Position

In connection with reports that Spain has been importing oil to pass on to Germany or Italy, Mr. Gram Swing stated that Rumania would not solve Hitler's oil problem or make up for the loss of Russian supplies. He said that Germany has not enough oil to carry on the war very long at full blast. Germany's oil reserves are believed to be steadily sinking.

The commentator described the oil embargo as "eloquent evidence of the extent to which the United States is co-operating with Britain in the blockade of the Axis Powers."

Newspaper Comment

NEW YORK, July 26 (Reuter).—The "New York Herald-Tribune," commenting on the oil embargo, says: "The President's action in putting oil and scrap metal on the list of strategic materials which must be licensed for export, and the Maritime Commission's action in refusing authority to two American tankers with heavy cargoes of oil to Spain, are both illustrations of the fact that democracy can move with realism in defence of its own interests in the world, and does not have to sit helplessly in the tangles of their own assumptions until it is pole-axed by those for whom assumptions are a lasting stock."

"The colossal anomaly of a nation preparing to conscript youth and voting money by tens of billions for defence, while at the same time it continues to allow its material resources to be exploited by the Power against which defence is ever likely to be necessary, becomes too obvious for Turn to Page 7, First Column

FRENCH SHIPS IN SERVICE

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—Steps are already well advanced for manning French warships which arrived in British ports before the signing of the Franco-German armistice, says an Admiralty announcement.

A number of French ships of varying sizes are now being manned and prepared for sea entirely by French officers and men of the free French naval forces of which Admiral Muselier is head, having been appointed to this post by General de Gaulle some time ago.

One ship, manned entirely by Frenchmen, has already been at sea taking an active and successful part in operations.

In addition, French ships which cannot be manned by free French naval forces are being manned chiefly by British crews assisted by a nucleus of French ratings. These ships will fly both the Tricolour and the White Ensign.

Other Allied naval forces are also helping to man French ships.

French ships in the above categories will come under the general direction of the British Admiralty and it is hoped that many will be at sea shortly, carrying out operations in the common cause.

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Further Late News

SPAIN AS AXIS ALLY

Italian Hopes

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, July 26 (UP).—The "Popolo di Roma" editorially predicts that Spain will participate in the war as a result of England's reported decision not to permit American raw materials en route to Germany to transit through Spanish territory.

The editorial adds that Spain's entry into the war would "perfect the continental blockade against England."

FRENCH EX-MINISTERS FACE COURT MARTIAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VICHY, July 26 (UP).—Eight of the 26 members of Parliament and ex-Ministers who left France on board the steamer Mussilla on June 20 will face trial under the new decrees punishing nationals who fled the country and for war responsibility.

The eight men are divided into two categories—four mobilised members will face a military tribunal on charges of desertion. They are the Radical Socialist Deputy from the Seine province, M. Interieur Jean-zay; the ex-Minister of Education and Radical Socialist Deputy from the Alsace province, M. Pierre Viennet; the Socialist Deputy from Ardennes province, M. Charles Wiltzer, and the Socialist Deputy from the Moselle province, whose name is not given.

The four ex-Government officials of the War Cabinet who were among the passengers on the Mussilla are M. Daladier, M. Mandel, M. Camille Chautou, and M. Delbos.

It isn't in the mind. It is on the lips. The world just now is full of empty words. They roll out of a dead and flat. No one really listens to the words. The other fellow is possibly saying the same kind of words.

"The people think this," says one man. "The middle class believes that," says another. "In my opinion, within the next twenty years we shall all have to accept communism or fascism," says a third.

The "people," the "proletariat," the "middle class" and so forth and so forth. There is this fatness—so many of these big flat words and flat empty statements always being said. When do we get all of these words?

You take a trip, as I did just last fall, some six thousand miles in a car; you visit many towns; you get a new sense of the hugeness, the richness and wonder of America. You come home to your home town and people stop you on the street.

"In your opinion," they ask, "what are the American people thinking?"

Do they expect an intelligent answer from you? I do not think so, but the question jars you a little. There is the temptation to begin rolling out the empty words.

There must be something in the air just now that accounts for this attempt to think big, to group thousands and hundreds of thousands of different people under single imaginary patterns. There must be something to explain this attempt at understanding—more often a pretence of understanding—of the world. I grant that there may possibly be a few men, students of world affairs, world travellers, men in government, who can grasp these huge problems that involve millions of different people. I don't know whether they can or not.

But it seems to me that the danger lies in the emptiness of so many words we use. We so persistently fail to realise the curious accidental quality of life.

It seems to me that a marked mind-emptiness is likely to come with the habitual use of big meaningless words—the "masses," the "people," the "farmers," the "middle class." All this may be a natural result of the speeding up of all of our channels of communication. I can sit here, in this room, and speaking into a "micro," address a million, perhaps ten million, people sitting in their homes. I can throw these big words at them. It is increasingly difficult to remember that these people, as addressed, are not all one big mass, that life is of infinite variety, shades and complexity.

This laxity is surely something to fight against, to struggle against. When such words as the "people," the "masses" and the "proletariat," the "middle-class" and so forth come to our lips we ought to stop. We ought to ask ourselves, "Is there any such thing?"

It is my own notion that, if we are to break it up, and begin to draw closer to one another again, begin to really think again, to communicate with one another in a way that has real meaning, we shall have

to start off by trying to chuck these big meaningless words. We shall have to begin consciously to think small and stop trying to think big.

There is this street of houses in which I live, this room in which I sit with friends, that woman over there, at a nearby table in a restaurant. How healthy to begin thinking in terms of this limited world. What is the meaning of that frightened look that sits over the face of that woman sitting over there? There is a man gesticulating and talking to himself as he walks along. What is troubling him? The little human meetings of people on streets, in rooms, go on. Life, with its curious loneliness, has its warm moments.

The big thinkers call this approach to life an "escape." They blame you for trying to escape from the great problems now shaking the world. In my opinion it is instead a going toward life. Of that I am sure.

Some years ago, for a time, I ran two small weekly newspapers in an American town. Being a man whose name was a little "up" as an American author, I am quite sure that when I came there to the town, when I bought the newspapers, the people of the town were afraid of me, as they had a right to be. They thought I would be wanting to change them, make the town into something new, control their thinking, use them as puppets for my own purposes. How could I help knowing what they thought and felt?

To live at all in the town, I had to be very small, not take myself too seriously, take the town in which I was living as the centre of the universe.

I used to ride and walk about "through the residential streets of the town and on nearby country roads. I wrote a long article about a certain woman's flower garden. I wrote articles about country roads that wound out of town over low hills, about the everyday sights, sounds, smells, happenings of the town.

One day an old farmer came in to renew his subscription to the paper. He stood awkwardly about. There was something he wanted to say but he had difficulty in saying it; finally he came out; he simply wanted to tell me that he hadn't known how nice was the road along which he had for years been driving into town—

not until I had written of it. This is what I mean. This is what I think we shall have to get back to. I mean the intimacy of life, its charms, its strangeness, its terror, its accidental qualities. These great thoughts about world affairs that we are trying to have nowadays are tending to separate us from one another in a curious way.

There is too much bigness that isn't bigness at all, too much using of big empty words. If the thing we call civilization is to be saved, it will be saved not by the big-word throwers, so-called, but by what goes on in the average man's mind, in the minds of people in their houses in short, in the growing realisation of each, other and of both the beauties and difficulties in the art of living with others.

FAMOUS BRITISH REGIMENTS

THE BUFFS

A REGIMENT with four nicknames, at least, has a particular claim to national approval, and this is certainly true of The Buffs, (Royal East Kent Regiment).

This regiment dates back to 1572, when the citizens of London formed and equipped a force of 300 men to aid the Protestant cause in Holland. The men were recruited from the old Train Bands, upon whom, for centuries, had fallen the task of defending London. On their return to England, in 1605, they were placed on the Army establishment with the title of 3rd Foot.

The men had to relinquish the buff, leather jackets which they had worn and take to the scarlet uniforms provided for them, but they were allowed to retain the buff colourings for their facings, and thus became known as The Buffs.

The Buffs also have two chief nicknames. The first is "The Admirals' Regiment," due to the fact that, in 1682, they served as Marines. The other is "The Resurrectionists," and there are two versions of the origin.

One is said to be due to the fact that The Buffs claimed to be as old as the Royal Scots, that regiment with the nickname of "The Old Pilate's Bodyguard." The other version has it that The Buffs were given the nickname as a tribute to their powers of recuperation after the regiment had been ridden down by the French lancers at Albuhera.

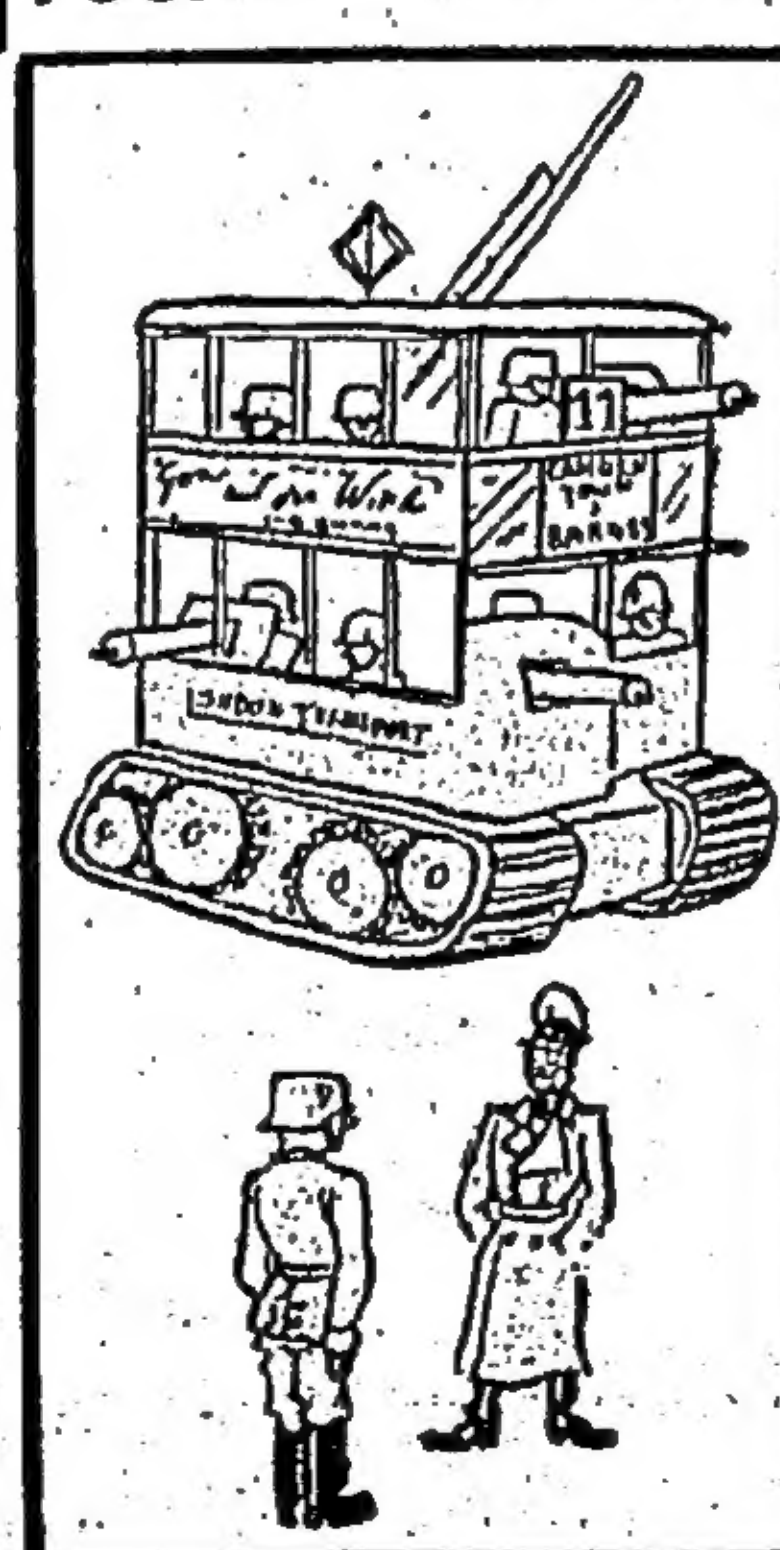
The Buffs include in their battle honours such famous engagements as Elandslaagte, Rann of Stirling, Oudenarde, Guadalupe, 1759, Tula, Orthes, Peninsular, Sevastopol, Taku Forts, Chitral, and the Relief of Kimberley.

In the Great War, men of the regiment fought at the Alame, 1914, Ypres, 1915 and '17, Loos, the Somme, 1916 and '18, Arras, 1917, Amiens, the Hindenburg Line, Struna, Jerusalem, and Bagdad. They took a particularly active part in the "Big Push" of 1918.

The regimental badge shows the Red Dragon of the Royal House of Tudor. In each of the four corners of the badge are the united Red and White Roses, ensigns with an Imperial Crown, and the motto "Veneri Frondest Honoris" ("May it flourish by its ancient honour"). There is also a second regimental motto, that of the County of Kent: "It is the single word 'Invicta' ('Unconquered')."

Among the achievements of The Buffs is the fact that one detachment was sent to America in the 1870's and there did much to lay the foundations of what is now the State of Virginia. It is also recorded that, in 1684, the Burgheers of Bruges were so anxious to show their appreciation of the work of the regiment in defending their city that they made a gift to it of 600 barrels of Flemish beer. The Buffs have the privilege of marching through the City of London with fixed bayonets, beating drums and flying Colours.

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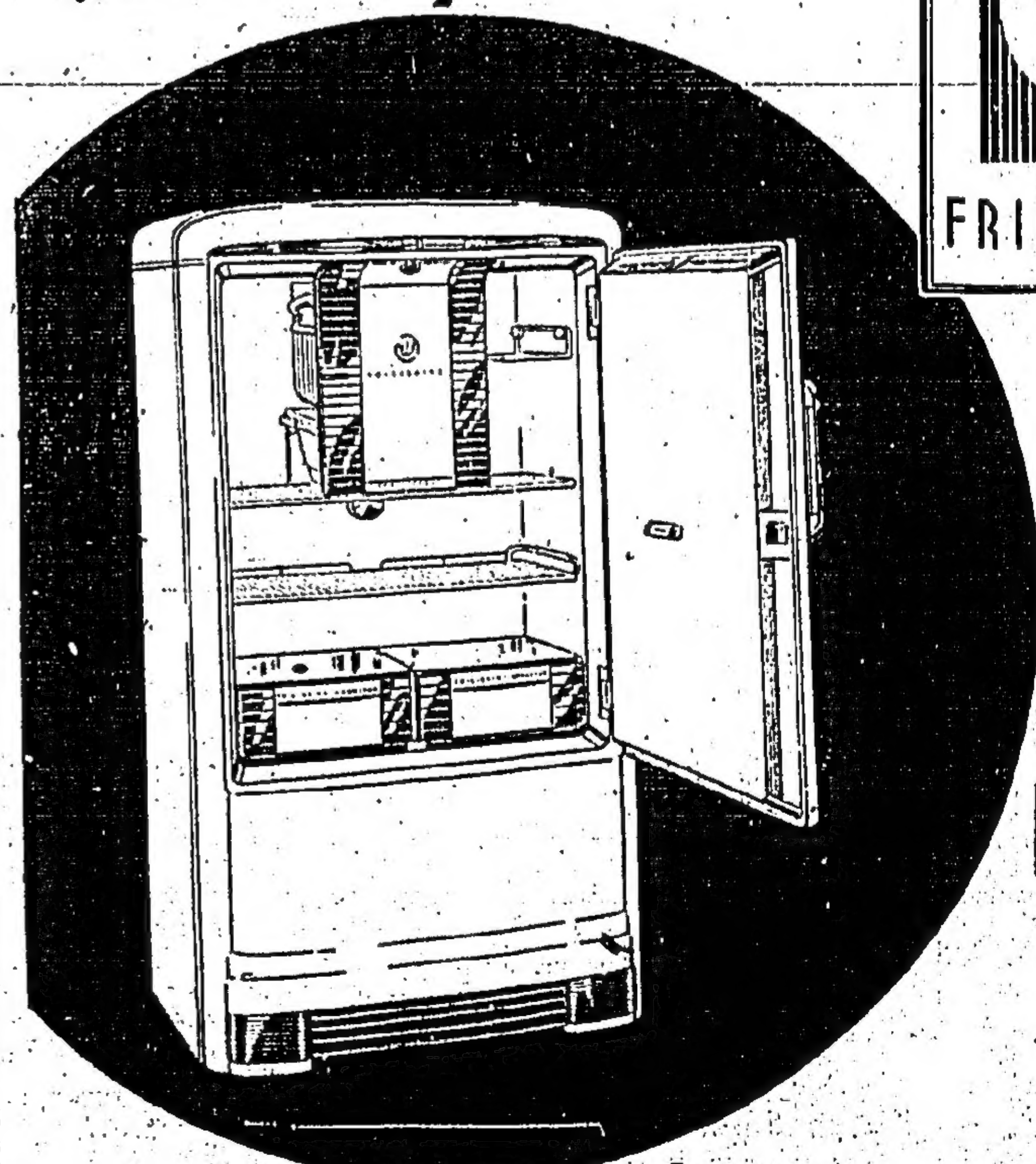
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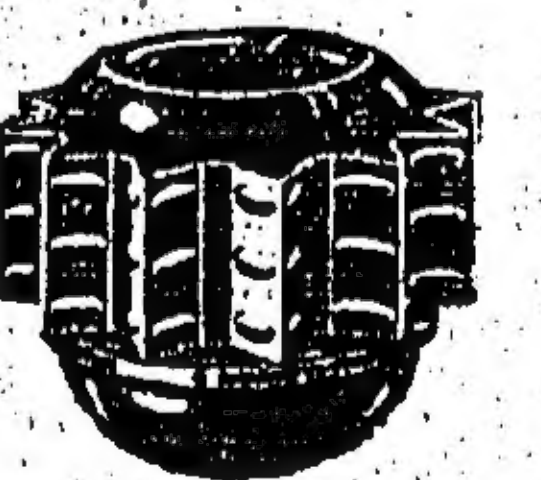
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FILMS

Film: *Blackmail*.
Stars: Edward G. Robinson, Ruth Hussey.
Verdict: Exciting melodrama.

LITTLE CAESAR is back in—

THE chain gang clanks its ugly way on to the screen again in *Blackmail*. This is as boisterous a piece of melodrama as Hollywood has put together for a while.

It has Edward G. Robinson as a man earning a hazardous but respectable livelihood putting out fires at oil wells. Into his life creeps a blackmailer who had known him years before, when he had escaped from a chain gang after a false conviction.

The blackmailer squeezes a fortune out of his old acquaintance and then cynically sends him back to the chain gang. It does not end there, of course, but perhaps there is enough to be going on with. All this is rich material for the superabundant energy of Mr. Robinson, and he tears through it with great gusto. "Blackmail," however, is not just an exciting mixture of great fires, taking escapes, there is a good deal of shrewd character drawing and bright dialogue amidst all the alarms and excursions.

Ruth Hussey plays heroine, and there is an impressive study from Gene Lockhart as the blackmailer, a revolting mixture of cunning, cynicism, and half-wittedness.

Film: *Beware Spooks*.
Star: Joe E. Brown.
Verdict: Good slapstick.

A Joe E. Brown adventure is always expected to provide a line-up of clowning with plenty of clean comedy in the knockabout manner, culminating in an unusual sequence rich in ingenious action and surprises and "Beware Spooks" is no exception to this formula. Instead of getting his girl, however, Joe starts the fun with the girl safely wed but the honeymoon is rudely interrupted by his ambition to make good and regain the respect of the Commissioner by catching the criminal set at large by his own stupidity. Joe often has a "key" action to indicate when something is about to happen and this time it is a squint that displays fear, disappearing only when he is ready for the fray. When, in the finale, with the honeymoon is about to commence, Joe squints once more, it is obviously the cue for the last fade-out!

Joe E. Brown as his usual wide-

PUZZLE

Word Teasers

★ HOW'S your vocabulary today?

The following 10 pairs of words all have 3 letters in common. Your job is to fill in the blank spaces to make 20 different words that fit the definitions listed below. No. 1 at the left, for example, is POPULAR. Now go on from there.

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1. Widely admired
2. Engage in a frolic
3. Expand
4. A small, shrill trumpet
5. Pantries
6. Theft
7. Flattery
8. A disease
9. Assert positively
10. Sportive



Ruth Hussey and Edward G. Robinson star in "Blackmail".

BLACKMAIL

Guide To The Shows

TO-DAY
KING'S: "Beware Spooks."
QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA: "Man from Dakota."
ORIENTAL: "Illegal Traffic."
MAJESTIC: "Stardust."
TO-MORROW
QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA: "Blackmail."
ORIENTAL: "Raffles."
MAJESTIC: "Wings of the Navy."
KING'S: "A Child is Born."

mouthed breezy self is attractively supported by Mary Carlisle, with Clarence Kolb an effective Commissioner.

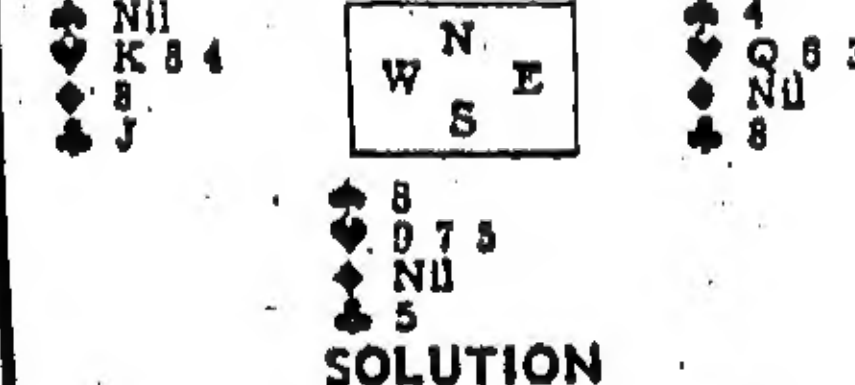
Film: *Turnabout*.
Stars: Adolphe Menjou, Carole Landis.
Verdict: Delightful Nonsense.

The hilarious plot of "Turnabout" concerns the high jinks produced when Mrs. Willows and her husband exchange sexes. The wife into her husband's oversized shoes and experiments with the problems faced by the male portion of humanity. The husband becomes a fashionable society mutton and flutters about at cocktail parties while his wife wears the pants—literally. Confusion and chaos ensue. The husband's partners cannot

BRIDGE

New Problem

Spades are trumps. South leads and North-South must win four of the five tricks.



SOLUTION
South leads club five, which is ruffed with North's trump three. North returns diamond queen, which East ruffs and South overruffs. South now leads trump (heart) seven (no other lead will serve), and, whether West covers or plays under, the lead is forced into East's hand and that is the only trick which the defence can win.

DRINK

The HUSBAND'S No. 4 FRIEND

America's most famous drink is a mint julep. Take spring water and mix it with sugar until it seems like oil. Then take a glass and crush your mint in it with a spoon. Crush it around the borders of the glass and leave no place untouched. Then throw the mint away. Fill the glass with cracked ice, pour in the Bourbon, let it settle slowly through the ice. Let it have time to cool, then pour your sugared water over it. Then put fresh sprigs of mint around the edge of the glass and sip slowly.

BOOKS

A Chinese Childhood

"A Chinese Childhood." By Chiang Yee. (Methuen. 15s. net.)

Here is a book which in the peaceful stillness of its atmosphere may well bring refreshment to many in these harassed days. For its peace is the peace of accepted tragedy, the peace of resignation.

Its author, a Chinese whose family records go back to before the Christian era, has been an exile in England now for several years, and has already given us in other volumes his quaint, yet penetrating, reflections on English life in peace and war.

He tells the story of his boyhood, in the temporary house at Kiu Kiang—the Hall of Foot-paths was its name—which one of his ancestors built for business purposes some three hundred years ago by the Yangtze river.

More than fifty of his relations had still, when he was young, their special apartments in it, begetting with Grandfather and Grandmother, and on through uncles, aunts, and in-laws to the numerous children.

Naturally a group so large could not maintain harmony, unless each member knew his place; and in fact the accurate fulfilment by each of the rites of his subordination made the whole of their common life into a religion. Over the main door of entrance the key-word "happiness" was inscribed, and all would have endorsed the motto which the author's artist father gave his son—"Rushing is fruitless."

Indeed, to an English reader, it cannot but appear that the motives of the life, the activities, the pleasures, the maxims and the responses to them, were all so low in tone that the author's artist father gave his son—"Rushing is fruitless."

So it must be remembered that the foundation of that joy was never individual, but lay in the prevailing religious unity.

Thus one of Grandmother's deepest satisfactions was to direct, year by year, the polishing and lacquering of the priceless Chu Tung coffin, six in number, which had been provided by the forethought and devotion of her sons. The fact that she was likely to be herself the first to need one only added to the relief to her care.

The same considerations held all through. The charm of the life is the exquisite organization of its details; the happiness of the members is to play their parts, to enter into the tradition and taste all its aroma as they do so.

What an English child feels occasionally, and intensely at Christmas, for example, a Chinese felt with every kind of modulation and qualification every day of the year. He lived bemused in mazes of age-old ceremony.

Mr. Chiang's descriptions have in them a gentle poignancy of pious regret; the China he knew has been ravished; when his country rises again, will those exquisite loyalties and beauties revive with her?

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QUIZ

ARE YOU SURE?

1. Unscramble the following sentence and indicate whether it is true or false: *triangular may hexagonal be rectangular or pyramids.*
2. Is it dangerous to drink milk and eat lobster at the same meal?
3. What is the significance of the word broadloom as applied to a rug?
4. What was the last of the ten plagues of Egypt?
5. If the sixth word in the following sentence means *without difficulty*, write the fourth word of the sentence in the answer space unless the fifth word does not mean *vehicle*, in which case write the second word of the sentence: *The boy road the bicycle easily.*
6. What word means both *dandruff* and *anger*?
7. Supply the birds' names missing from the following: Silly as a _____, As the _____ flies, Follow the _____.
8. Lloyds of London writes all forms of insurance policies but one. Which is that?
9. Why do laundries often use blue wrapping paper?
10. Through what states must you pass, travelling from New York to Chicago by the shortest route?
11. What was the old raccoon doing by the light of the moon at the Animal Fair?
12. What piece of chinaware might be associated with the late President Harding's administration?
13. If you wanted to use pistachio flavouring in a cake you were baking and discovered you were without pistachio but had chocolate, vanilla, lemon, almond and strawberry, which of these might you combine to obtain the desired flavour?
14. Aviators, when flying in high altitudes wear electrically heated clothing which is wired with batteries. (true, false)
15. Upon which finger of which hand does a man wear a wedding ring when a double ring ceremony has been performed?
16. Indian summer is a period of mild weather which occurs in the autumn of the year. What is squaw winter?
17. What is the meaning of the word *mavourneen* as in the song title *Kathleen, Mavourneen*?
18. Is monkey bread baked in a slow or fast oven?
19. Upon what commodities does the United States place export duties?
20. Who were Eng and Chang?

ANSWERS

1. True. Triangles may be triangular, hexagonal or rectangular, but not under ordinary conditions. 3. It indicates width, not quality. 4. Death of the first born. 5. The "G. Dander." 7. Goose, crow, swallow. 8. Life insurance. 9. To prevent linens from turning yellow. 10. New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois. 11. "New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois. 12. A teapot. (Remember the Teapot Dome Combining his auburn hair. 13. A teapot. 14. True. 15. Fourth finger of the left hand. 16. The period of cold weather preceding Indian Summer. 17. My darling. 18. Monkey bread is the fruit of the baobab tree. 19. My darling. 20. The first Siamese twins. There are no United States export tariffs.

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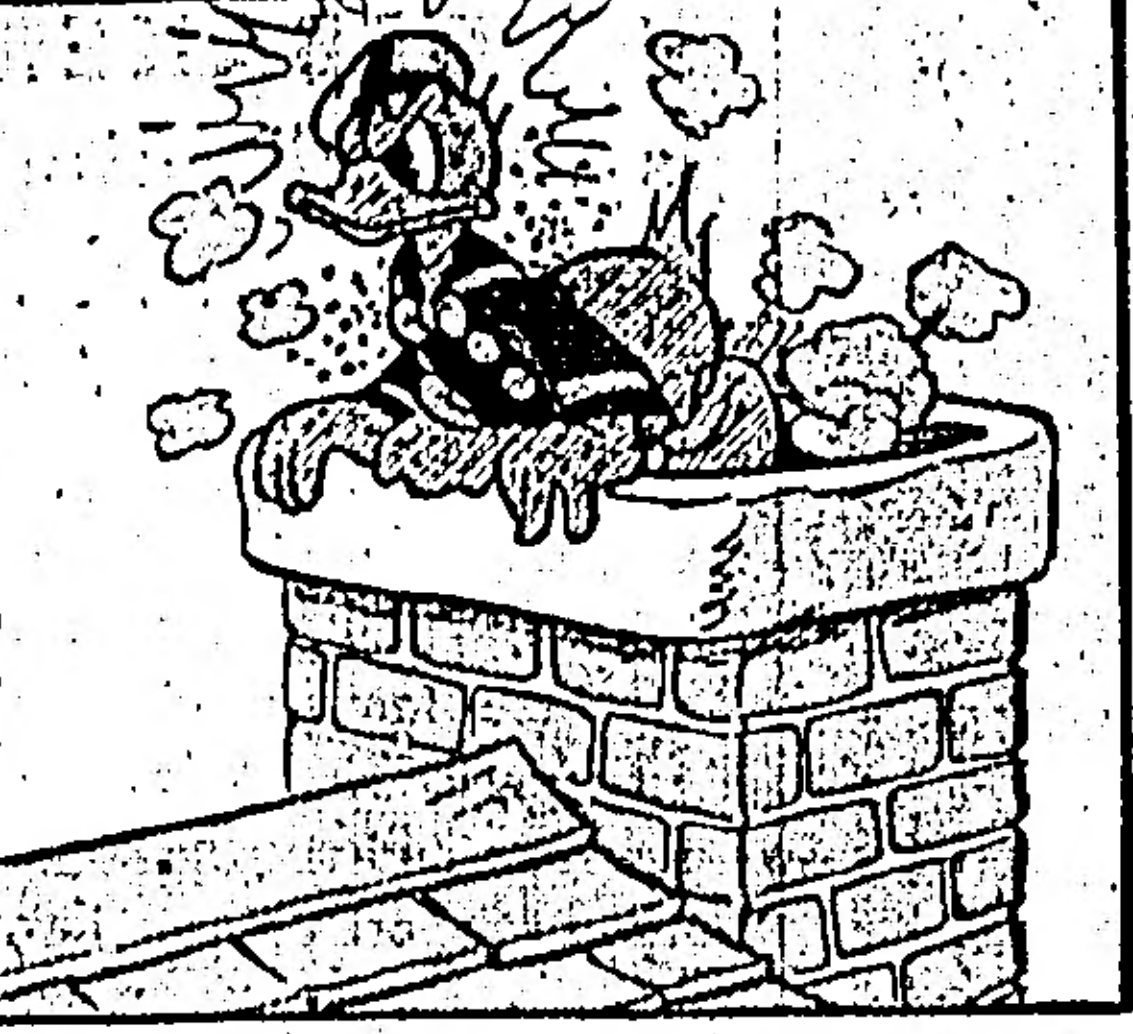
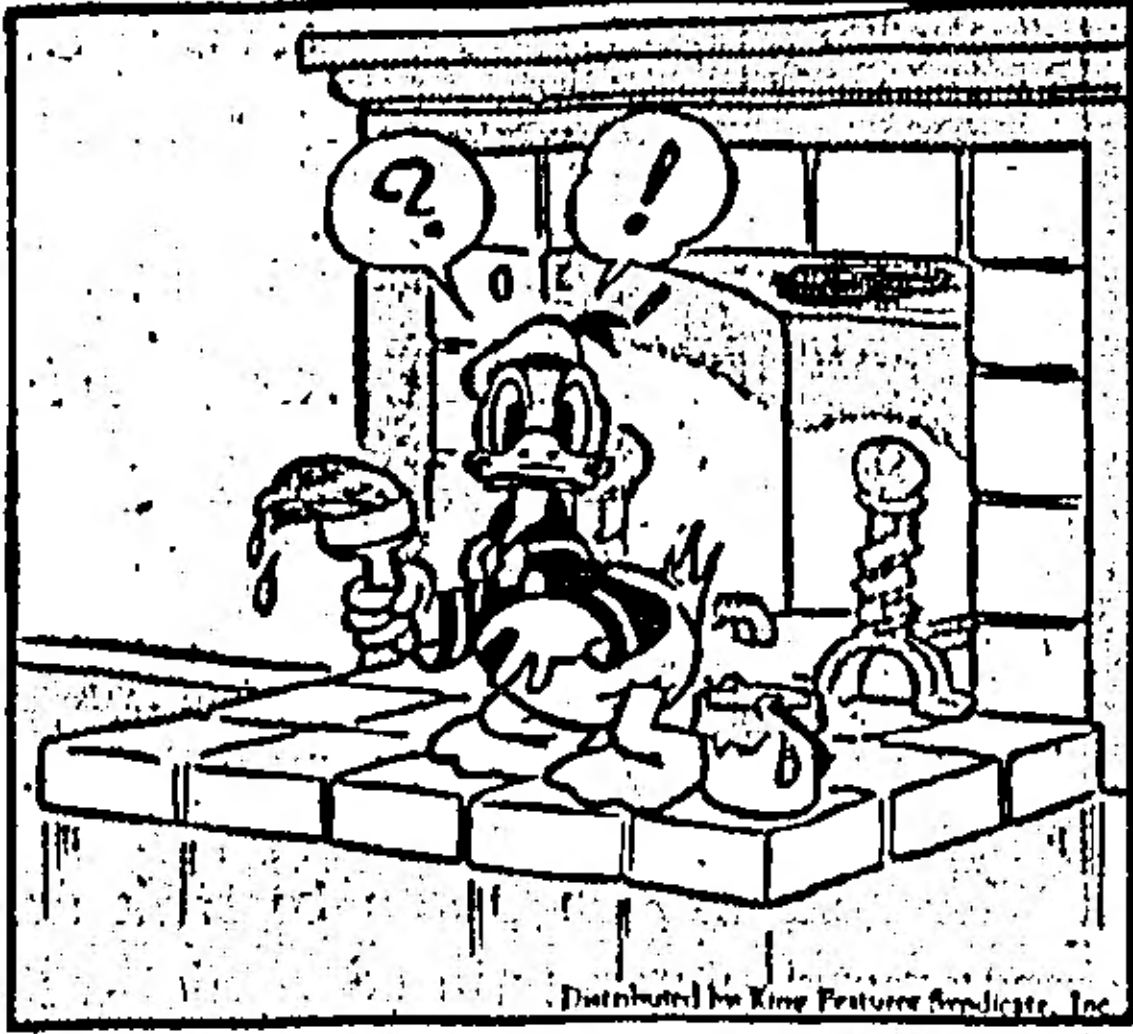
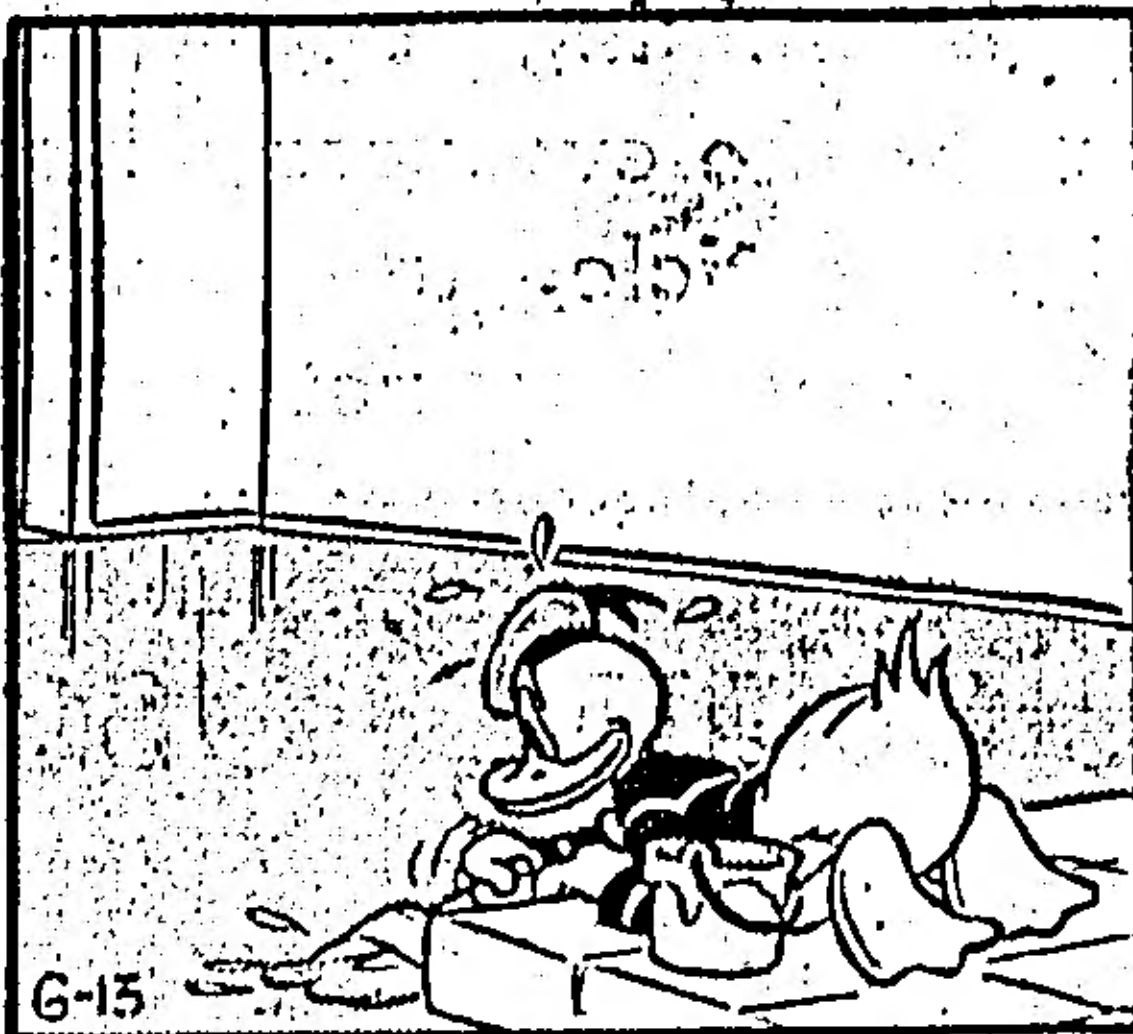
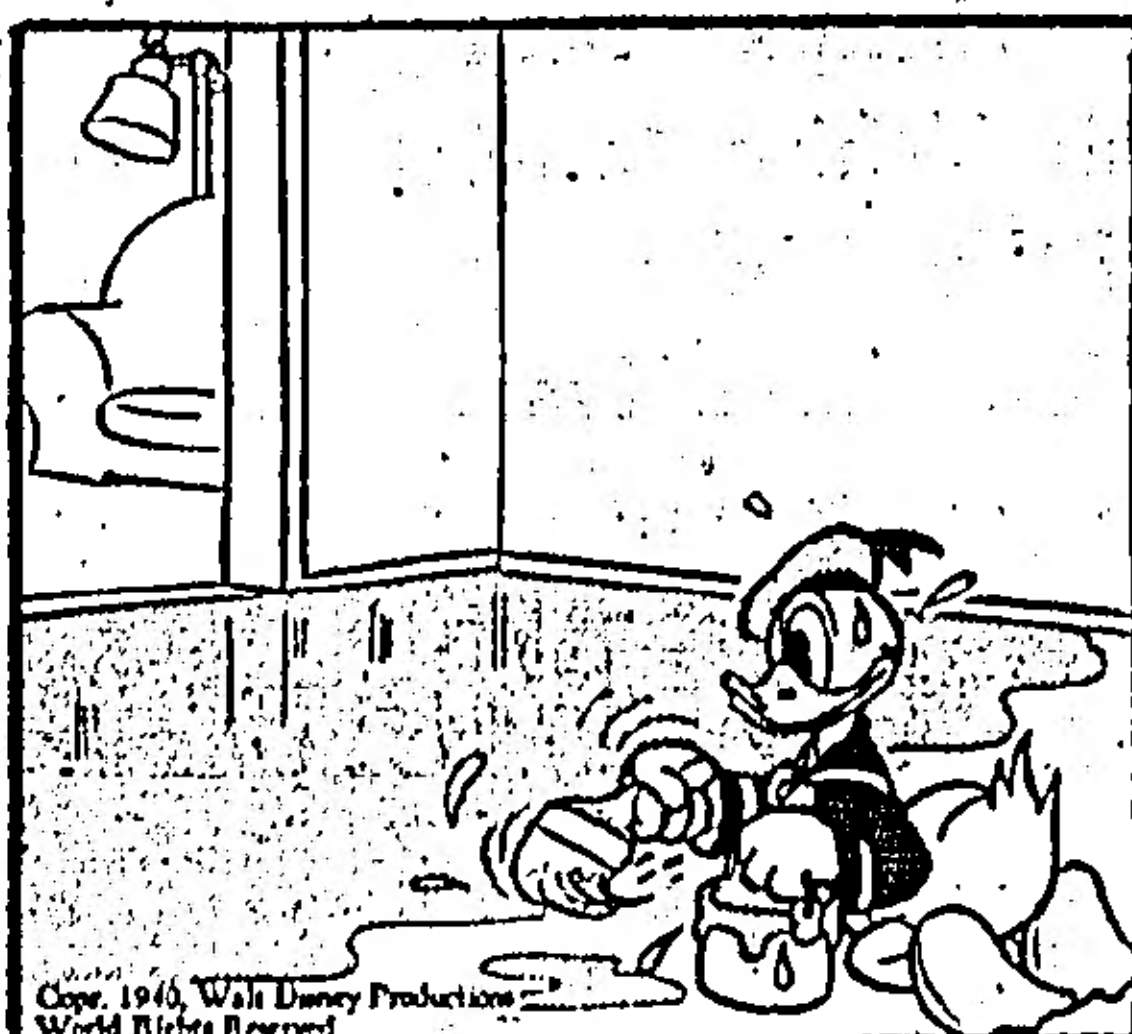
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SATURDAY SHORT STORY SECTION

Three days after he came to town James Penny kissed Tiny. He'd have done better to set fire to the Bank.

Hear about Tiny Brown?

By BAIRD HALL

A Short Story Complete in This Issue

PEOPLE get mad at Oscar Brown because they say he can't make up his mind about anything. It isn't true. Oscar makes up his mind more times in ten minutes than other people do in ten days. He takes a firm stand too—first on one side of a question, then on the other.

It's a lucky thing for Tiny Brown that her father is the way he is. At least, it was lucky for her the winter the playwright came to board at Pridemore's farm up in North Drenham. Tiny was the prettiest girl in Drenham. And there were eleven pretty girls in Drenham that winter, counting young widow Payedek over by Drenham Station. Tiny was the prettiest, and being through high school she kept on at the soda fountain in the fall. Oscar's drugstore is central and next to the postoffice, so everybody stops in, winter as well as summer. Oscar does the prescriptions and sundries and George Wharf does the groceries at the back. Tiny, for this particular winter, was the main attraction at the fountain.

Oscar decided that Tiny had better wear a green uniform; then he decided it ought to be white. So Tiny usually wore pretty blue dresses like her blue eyes, and a funny little blue bow of ribbon cocked in her hair. More or less everybody in Drenham felt the urge to protect Tiny from everybody in Drenham. All the ladies said it was a shame the way the sweet motherless child didn't have a soul to look out for her except Oscar Brown—and him not able to make up his mind to come in out of the rain. All the older men felt that they were fathers to Tiny—or big brothers. All the young fellows got mad at the way old ladies clucked over Tiny and chaperoned her—and old guys tried to pat her on the head. But they got maddest, of course, at each other in the light to date up Tiny's free time. Tiny was a sweet girl. She loved her father. She always did exactly what he told her to—she could get it done before he decided for her not to do it. She tried to behave as the Drenham ladies said she should behave. She was proud to call Mr. Epps and Mr. Hill all Uncle John and Uncle Hiram and Uncle Ned when they asked her to.

THE boys were hardest. Tiny wanted to be nice to them all, but she

couldn't help having a special feeling about Eli Pridemore. She couldn't help it her heart thumped and her cheeks got red and her eyes got soft and bright. Eli was big and brown, and quiet. He didn't talk much. He wouldn't be fair, Tiny thought, for Eli never to get a date just because he didn't speak out as fast as other boys did. Eli liked her to go places with him. She knew he did. So, to date when there was a chance. Eli might ask her—in a sort of mumble at the last minute. Sometimes his face got red and his eyes soft and bright like Tiny's if it was a Young People's Club hike and he took her hand over a steep place.

The other boys made jealous cracks about Eli Pridemore and the ladies did a natural amount of chattering. "You're awfully young, Tiny, dear, to let one boy have so much of your time. And when he hasn't actually said anything—yes, there was a little talk. Then the playwright came to town. Everybody knew he was coming and thought it was fine. A real New York writer with two plays running on Broadway. He had rented the whole back end of the Pridemore house, three rooms just for himself—to get away from his New York friends so he could write another play. Of course it wasn't young Eli who told about it. It was Mrs. Pridemore. She said this James Penny seemed a nice, well-mannered man. His name was James Penny.

Well, the first Monday after he came, James Penny kissed Tiny Brown. He'd have done better to slap Minister Comstock's face in the middle of Sunday service, or just set fire to the Drenham Savings Bank. Drenham people might squabble among themselves, but when this outsider came along and touched Tiny—and the way he did it—well! HE came walking into the store that first Monday and there was Tiny. Oscar was in the side room mixing cough syrup. The store is darkish toward the back, so James Penny wouldn't have noticed Mrs. Epps at George Wharf's grocery counter. A man wouldn't be likely to notice Nettie Epps anyway when he was getting his first look at Tiny Brown. Tiny was leaning across the fountain, wiping it. Penny started at her, staring in such a startled way that Tiny started back. Then he kissed her. He just leaned forward and kissed her on the mouth. "Oh, gosh!" he said, "I didn't—I shouldn't have—I don't know why I did—I beg your—oh, gosh!" And he turned around and walked out the way he'd come in.

"Well," barked Mrs. Epps. "Well! The fresh—He ought to be arrested. I know who he is. He's that theatre writer. That New York for you. The fresh masher! George, why didn't you do something? He ought to be horsewhipped, the masher!" Tiny was blushing the colour of a cherry smash, but Tiny was the kind who hated to think hard things about anybody. "Oh, Mrs. Epps, I don't think he meant to be fresh. I don't think he meant to—to do what he did."

"Tiny Brown!" "But Mrs. Epps—maybe it was a sort of accident. He didn't sound fresh. I mean, he went right out in a nice way."

This was the point where Oscar Brown came from the side room. But Mrs. Epps didn't waste any words on Oscar. Everybody knew that Tiny could be picked up and carried off to Timbuktu before her father could make up his mind what to do about it. Mrs. Epps went right over to Sarah Hill's.

When it came to scratch, none of the ladies felt just like going straight to James Penny himself. So three of them went to see Emily Pridemore. Mrs. Pridemore was not ordinarily one to overlook loose behaviour. She was shocked, but she stuck to her argument that one little kiss didn't really give her an excuse to throw the man out bag and baggage. Probably Emily Pridemore knew, in her heart, what the other ladies did—that one kiss leads to another. But she also knew, which the other ladies only suspected, that James Penny had paid a full month's board in advance, and the money, in the shape of new asbestos shingles, was already half on the dairy-burn roof.

The men of Drenham, being men, had to chuckle. "Can't exactly agree it's a mortal sin, Nettie—stealing a kiss from a pretty girl." But they were a good deal madder, a lot of them, than the women. In a way the fresh soft little mouth that had been kissed meant more to them than to the women. This author figured he could just walk in and be the answer to a maiden's prayer.

Oscar was plain upset. "If he shows his face in here again I'm going to speak to that fellow, that's what I'm going to do!" "Oh, Daddy—"

"Well, you may be right, Tiny. We'll act as if he'd never been in before, that's what."

He wanted to do the right thing. He wasn't trying to duck responsibility. Oscar Brown would have been glad to die for his little girl—if a villain walked in, fast, in the same moment that Oscar decided to fight. But Oscar didn't really like to make a ruckus any more than Tiny did.

Of course Eli Pridemore was the last



to say anything, and then he didn't come in and she scrooched down in say much. "Quite a lady-killer we've got staying up at the farm." "Oh, is he, Eli?" "You ought to know. Maybe I better take a poke at the guy." "Eli, why?" Most fellows would have said something like, "Because if anybody's going to kiss you, I'm the one," or, "Because you're my girl, Tiny." Eli Pridemore only grunted. And Tiny sighed a little.

That she said, "What he did doesn't mean anything, because I mean—when—if a girl already likes somebody else—"

Eli got just as red as she did. She knew he did like her a lot. Only he wouldn't say anything. Tiny could hear Mrs. Pridemore's warning words—and when he hasn't actually said anything," Tiny sighed again.

James Penny could talk. Tiny found that out. He had a kind of shy, hesitant way with him because he was famous and didn't want to sound conceited, but he wasn't really very shy.

Tiny found all this out in the Drenham library. She saw him

come in and she scrooched down in her reading chair, but he saw her and came straight over. "No, please. Please don't look at me like that. I—I'm not going to be rude again." He smiled down at her, a nice hesitant smile. His hair was a little gray at the sides, but he didn't look at all old. "I do want to apologize. I wonder if I can make you understand. I'd been working. I was still thousands of miles away that day when I came into the store—almost like being asleep. Suddenly something blue woke me up and—well—there you were. Just all of a sudden. Tell me, haven't you ever felt a sudden terrible desire to do something—and done it—ever though you'd know the next second that you shouldn't have? Do you know what I mean?"

Tiny did know what he meant, and she never could bear to be unpleasant to anybody. Besides, he was very modest and polite and told her his name as if everybody didn't know it already. When she told him she was Tiny Brown he said he'd call her "Very Small" because it was

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HUNGRY FORTIES MAY COME AGAIN, SAYS GREENWOOD

NEW "Hungry Forties," far worse than those of the last century, were forecast by Mr. Arthur Greenwood, M.P., unless the problems of transition from war to peace were solved in advance.

He was addressing a Lancashire and Cheshire Home Front conference at Manchester.

The country might have to face an army of 7,000,000 unemployed after the war, he said.

The only way to deal with the problem was to get men of commercial and labour experience to sit down to consider what was going to happen at the end of the war and how we were going to deal with it.

The war was tragically enough. But the tragedy that could come after was even greater.

The whole world was going to be more impoverished than at the end of the last war.

Mr. Greenwood denied the suggestion, which, he said, separated from mischievous elements in the Movement, that Labour had become a party of yes-men to the Government.

"Our Party is as independent to-day as it was before the war broke out. It will not sell its soul."

It looked as though the Government was trying to undermine the social services which Labour, in Opposition and in office, had tried to build up.

Now there was to be a sales tax. Sir John Simon thought the Treasury was going to make a lot of money out of it.

"Sir John has greater hopes of this child than I have," Mr. Greenwood commented. "I do not think he will rear it."

FRANCE AND EAST

Petain's Treaties With Japan And China

Vichy, July 26.

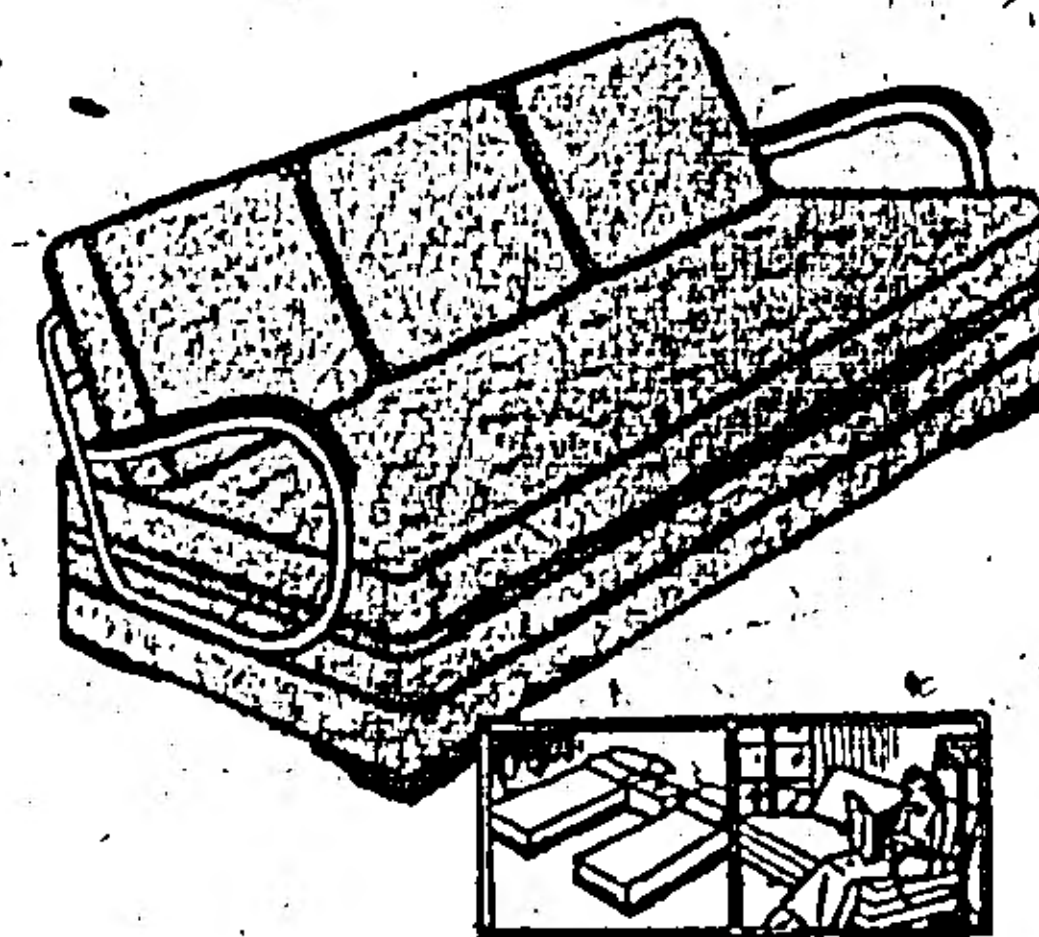
The Petain Government to-day concluded agreements with Japan and China designed to safeguard their interests in China, particularly in the Shanghai and Tientsin Concessions. Under the pact the French will hand back to the Chinese the outside zone adjoining the concession in Tientsin which passed under French control several years ago when it was occupied by French troops following disorders.

The negotiations with Japan were concluded on the basis of increased economic exchange between Japan and Indo-China with a clause granting Japan the right to fly over Indo-China in the direction of Bangkok commercially.

The French are now preparing for the conversations to open shortly at Bangkok intended to settle the frontier dispute between Indo-China and Thailand which will complete the programme of negotiations intended to settle wholly Far Eastern differences.—United Press.

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The FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

By DAVID V. CLEARY

The story of a man—and an orchard

THERE was a big difference in price; but on this particular call the nursery salesman was favoring the less expensive of his two grades of trees. "There really isn't a lot of difference between them—in quality," he said. "Of course, these cheap trees won't bear quite as long—but they're good trees. And they'll save you money."

This was just before Johnny's eighteenth birthday. Johnny drummed his thick fingers on the olecloth table cover, drummed and scowled. Then he said: "No. His voice was positive and a bit irritable. "No, I'll take your best trees, I don't want to have to tear out part of this orchard in ten years and plant it again."

So he bought the best trees; and it wasn't an act, either. I'm sure of that, because I know Johnny. His name is John E. Powers and he's my grandfather.

He's been raising fruit for sixty years now, and doing pretty well at it. He even retired once, thirty years ago—bought a big house in Grand Rapids, traded his best carriage team for a piano and took his case in a motor car. But it wasn't a year before he tired of that and went back to his orchards.

Things have changed since then. We've had political upheavals and business depressions. We've marked a lot of time, listening to the time talk around us. But not Johnny. He's been busy growing orchards. Johnny has seen white frosts in the spring and realized, even before he looked at the buds, that his crop was gone. Hailstorms have damaged his

plants, and stolen his profits. These things can take the heart out of a man. They bent Johnny down a little, but they couldn't lick him. Johnny kept planting orchards.

"Couldn't be helped," he'd say, and the memory of one bad season would be blanked out by optimism for the good seasons he knew would follow. "Come out in the orchards—want to show you some dandy trees that'll be bearing next summer."

When he was sixty, Johnny decided to take his fruit to more distant markets. He bought himself a truck and started a schedule that seldom gave him more than four hours' sleep a night during the rush season. He was following the same schedule last summer.

"Tisn't so bad," says Johnny. "This truck I've got now is a corker. Put forty thousand miles on it in the last two years, and no trouble. I figure I'll live it another year. Then I aim to trade for a new one just like it."

The family has quit marvelling at Johnny. Time has quit waiting around for him. Johnny's too busy to be speculated about.

A few years ago he skidded on ice near Kalamazoo and rolled his high old sedan into the ditch. The fabric top was demolished and the windshield was completely knocked out. But, as soon as it was righted, Johnny drove it back fifty miles to Grand Rapids in near zero weather. At nine the next morning it was in a garage, being converted into an orchard pickup truck.

"Didn't hurt me any," said Johnny. "It was cold, all right. But that

didn't bother me much. What really bothered me was, I had to drive with one hand over all that ice. Had to hold my hat on," he explained, "with my other one."

RASH? Maybe. But that's the way Johnny operates. He did it at forty; he's doing it at eighty. And it hasn't hurt him, because he still swings on and off his truck in single leaps.

It isn't desire for money that keeps him going. If it were, he wouldn't pass out so much fruit in return for promises. Nor is it superhuman strength that keeps him going. Johnny is no more than average for his age.

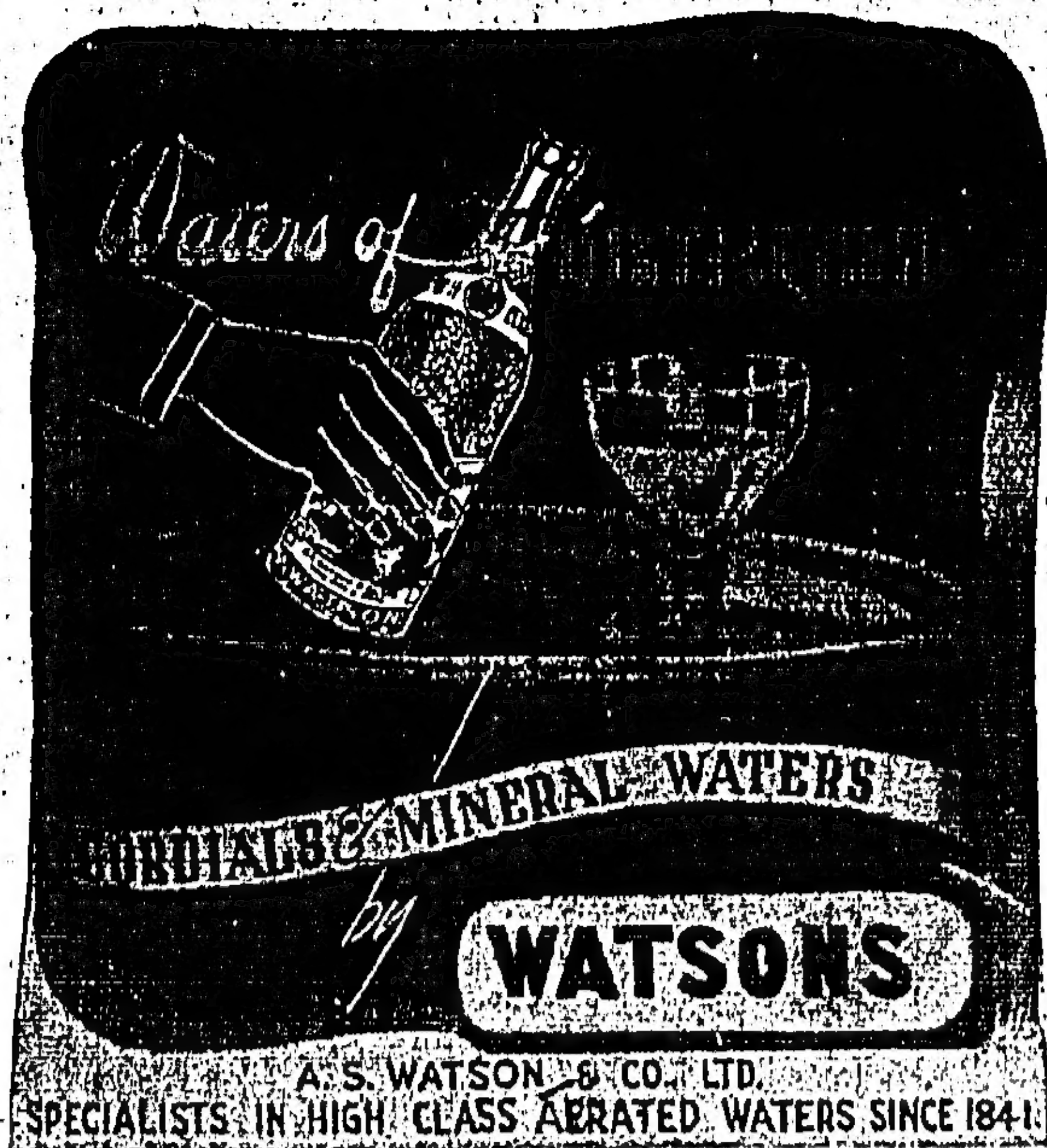
Perhaps the sun and the open air have had something to do with it. Perhaps. But then—don't forget that Johnny overworks and undersleeps. And he isn't at all choosy about his diet.

It seems more likely that Johnny's stamina traces back to a simple, and yet a rare, combination of mental attitudes. He has the ability to be realistic about the present, and visionary about the future. He has the patience it takes to plant slowly and deeply to-day, and the impatience it takes to count, ahead of time, on the fruit of to-morrow.

So Johnny gets to-day's work done. And all the while he plants for the years ahead. He keeps busy at it—too busy to worry about politics and depressions, or to meddle with the other fellow's job; too busy to get sick—too busy even to get old.

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Evacuation

Yesterday we contended that although the Hongkong Government was absolved from responsibility for the decision to invoke compulsory evacuation, we felt that so far as method and procedure of the evacuation was concerned, Government had earned the dissatisfaction and distrust of the public. Further perusal of the speeches made by the Unofficial members at Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council supports this view.

A significant point of the heated debate was that Government, at no stage, made any public defence against the serious accusations and allegations raised by the various Unofficial members. Thus the public is still unaware as to whether Government can deny that any discrimination was made in Manila. The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo yesterday afternoon repudiated his earlier suggestion that the Dean was in any way responsible for discrimination, following an interview with the very reverend gentleman; we too fully accept Dean Wilson's explanation; but that still does not dispose of the many grave reports made by the wives of Hongkong men; they include allegations of being housed in areas unfit for white women; attempts by men to invade the privacy of their rooms; the marking of luggage with an "M" to indicate they were not "pure" Europeans.

There has been too much corroboration to dismiss these stories as complaints of a few isolated, neurotic and hysterical women. There is truth behind these allegations, and quite clearly the matter cannot be allowed to remain where it is. Women and children have a right to expect proper treatment at any time.

Hundreds of our evacuees, we are satisfied, did receive this expected treatment, which only serves to emphasise the disgusting discrimination made in respect to a minority.

Government presumably is now endeavouring to solve its conscience by permitting certain women and children to return to Hongkong, if they wish. Nevertheless, we are inclined to suggest that this has not been done in order to redress the persecuted, but because Government, in its belated manner, has discovered that under Australian law, it will

I have been taken to task and informed that my previous pages painted a picture of undue brilliance; told that I am incapable of perceiving half-tones; that my outlook is ultra optimistic.

Wait! wait! we always physically wait, quite apart from the mental process occasioned by our insatiable appetite for mail. We wait for the shower-bath, for wash-tubs and ironing-boards. We wait in the ration queue.

But do not conjure up a heart-rending picture of a ravening horde on the dole—the portions served to us are more than ample, and if by any chance more of this or that is required, nothing ever seems to be "off".

Last evening I spent a couple of hours waiting to speak for one minute on the air, partly my own fault for not reading the bulletin board! And

Above the clamour of a hundred voices in the Dining Hall is heard "Boyl bread! Boyl jam!" and the gentle-mannered Filipino obligingly, though wearily, responds, though we are all supposed to draw gentle-mannered Filipino obligingly the Hall.

Children monkey with and interrupt the lawn-sprinklers, damage the course and even use it as a sanitary convenience; water is wasted, drains blocked.

Each new corner has been handed a list of a few simple regulations necessary for the maintenance of cleanliness and order in the barracks, and the fact that it has been necessary for the authorities to issue further exhortation on this score cannot have enhanced the prestige of our nation.

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Everyone is talking about the things that should be done for the evacuees. Norah Whitestone, in this forthright article, tells some of the things the evacuees should be—and are not—doing for themselves.

They Are Getting Used to Manila

I have been taken to task and informed that my previous pages painted a picture of undue brilliance; told that I am incapable of perceiving half-tones; that my outlook is ultra optimistic.

Wait! wait! we always physically wait, quite apart from the mental process occasioned by our insatiable appetite for mail. We wait for the shower-bath, for wash-tubs and ironing-boards. We wait in the ration queue.

But do not conjure up a heart-rending picture of a ravening horde on the dole—the portions served to us are more than ample, and if by any chance more of this or that is required, nothing ever seems to be "off".

Last evening I spent a couple of hours waiting to speak for one minute on the air, partly my own fault for not reading the bulletin board! And

Above the clamour of a hundred voices in the Dining Hall is heard "Boyl bread! Boyl jam!" and the gentle-mannered Filipino obligingly, though wearily, responds, though we are all supposed to draw gentle-mannered Filipino obligingly the Hall.

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FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



choice of destination, I would plump for a land (if any) which recognises an Order of female Troopists.

WHICH reminds me of a startling notice which had suddenly appeared in our midst "Females Not Allowed" later amended to "Boys only, no Ladies". Which again reminds me that the coveting of the young larkins of 12-16 is difficult to resist without a shrewish tightening of the lips.

One rampaging young fellow, whose behaviour would possibly have evoked admiration in a Rugby scrum, was asked kindly to keep

his proper place in the line; which protest was repaid with a derisive guffaw. A nearby military policeman induced, with good-humoured firmness, young Caliban to respect law and order, for the moment at all events.

So my critics are justified. There are darker colours in the picture, due to our own lack of artistry; the palette of our hosts provides the brighter, clearer tints.

Some of the younger children are thrilled to the core. They are learning to ride! Having haunted the rails of the corral and glued their eyes to the stable yard, the

Philippine riders (and fine riders they are) took pity, and they also seem thrilled to initiate our youngsters into the rudiments of the art of equitation.

"Red" is the mount thus honoured, not exactly an ideal child's ride as to stature and girth, perhaps, but a docile, kindly, generous beast as to temperament—or he would not be fulfilling such functions. Colin, a little fair-haired lad of some ten years, is already almost at home in his saddle, and charming he looks on the massive chestnut.

A muni A European man! An English man! Incredibly he strides in immaculate whites through the dormitory, whilst we gaze goggle-eyed at the phenomenon. Mrs. S. is beloved of the Gods. The Captain's ship has touched at Manila, and here he is, greeted with shrill little cries of "Daddy! Daddy!" and other expressions upon which we will not intrude. We are, of course, accustomed to the presence in the Camp of Mr. Houston and Mr. Taylor—but mere officials scarcely rank as men.

ONE more grouse which has, un-militarily, fallen out of line. Evacuees are concerned about deliveries of mail. There would appear to be some confusion as to where we should apply—the British Consul in Manila, the Red Cross in Manila, or will letters be delivered at Fort McKinley? In any case it is impracticable for evacuees still at the Fort to apply in Manila, owing to distance and expense. We hope that things may soon be straightened out.

It may be that my own particular let was due to the fallow for a spell. Be it as it may, I am savouring and appreciating the advantages of army life bereft of its duties and responsibilities. I am no longer a slave to the clock save at meal times (and even here I am allowed a latitude of a couple of hours). Everything is one for me, and I do nothing in return. Truly a parasitic state about which I feel a smug and self-satisfied unconcern.

I WAIT! I cast covetous, longing eyes upon a stool—waiting for the occupant to complete her misdeed, and then I will type these notes.

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN—By "Strategicus"

On first hearing that France had signed an Armistice with Germany, many people must have felt that Britain had suffered an irreparable blow. That is no doubt how the Germans and Italians prefer to think of it.

But a little reflection has shown that the apparent position is very different from the real, and when we learn that the Government's professional advisers maintain that Britain can continue the struggle alone with "good and reasonable hopes of final victory", we are bound to take them seriously. Upon what are these hopes based?

either be highly difficult, or impossible, for many of these evacuees to enter Australia. This raises the question—why was not Government aware of this position? Secondly, if Government did know of these restrictions, why did it ever permit these particular families to leave the Colony? A frank statement before the evacuation scheme was put into effect would have saved a lot of discontent and hardship, and would at least have protected many of our women from direct insult. Government cannot expect to get away with this without some explanation.

It is clear that with the surrender of France, Britain has suffered a very heavy blow. She has lost a gallant and powerful ally and she has lost the chance of striking her enemy directly on land. But even if France has left the struggle completely, thereby releasing the enemy to turn his full strength against Britain, Germany and her allies do not cease to be blockaded.

France may give Germany food and industrial resources; but the food will be quickly consumed and industry will not be available for some time. In the reinforcement of his immediate power we have yet to learn that Germany has made any significant gain; and we know now beyond any shadow of doubt that it is only short-term help that is of any account. The various countries she has overrun have brought little, even immediate, assistance to her and their and her outlook for the winter are bad.

There is no magic in this situation. All these countries base their flourishing food position on the possibility of securing forage, oils and fats, fertilisers and maize or wheat from abroad. Remove that import and the whole food economy falls. The arm of the economic war is not shortened by

the Franco-German Armistice. Raising of another granary will provide merely some temporary easement.

Still, we must admit that even if Germany has not broken the grip of the blockade, she can at least reckon on turning her full resources against Britain. It is magnificent to have invincible force; but if the enemy is out of reach it is no better than impotence.

Germany and her ally can attack Britain either by air or by sea. She has already begun bombing raids; she has done little damage and has certainly not drawn a wince from anyone. But we know that even the weak raids in the last war depressed German morale. As early as 1916 there is evidence that production fell away—not from destruction of factories but from the effect of the trifling number of bombs.

Britons are stronger material, and that effect is not likely to be reproduced in Great Britain. It is, of course, impossible to prevent a number of bombers penetrating the defences, but these are being steadily perfected and British defences will take a steady toll of the German planes.

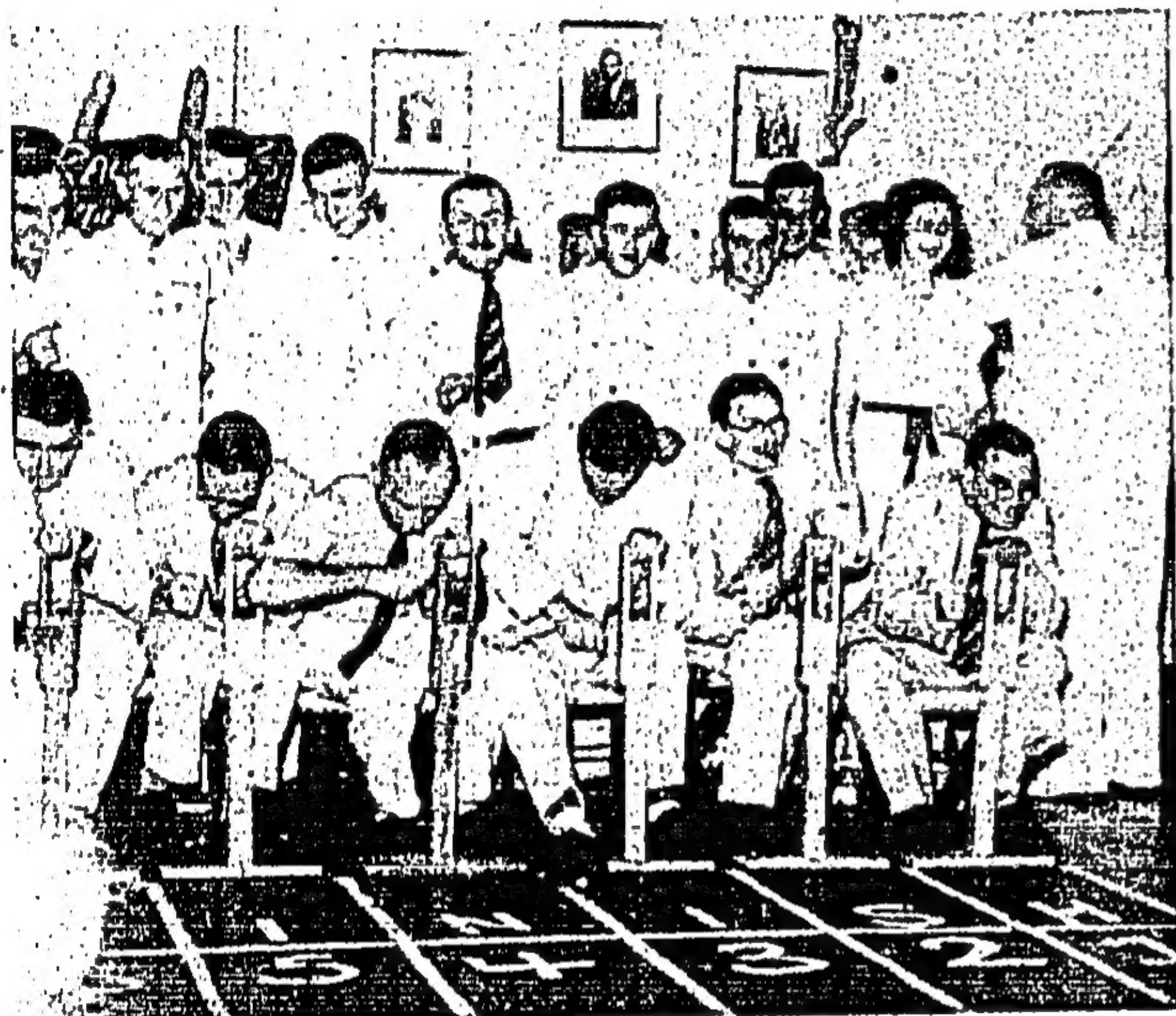
The other way in which German aeroplanes may be used raises the question of invasion. It is, of course, possible for planes to drop parachutists—it may even be several thousand—in various parts of a country; but they can only be of use if they are able to assemble and seize some point of tactical importance.

The odds against any such development are enormous. It is worthy of note that there is no evidence of their effective use in France; and provision has been made to deal with them in Britain. If parachutists are used at all, they will be used in conjunction with troops; landed by aeroplane. In each case the general defence of Britain is involved, and the effect of the Royal Air Force must be taken into consideration.

As to this, it must be remembered that the Air Force, in personnel and material, is immensely superior to the German establishment and now that they must meet Britain on her own territory, they will meet her full force for the first time. The fighters are short-range craft and they cannot operate effectively far from their bases. In Britain, on their native heath, they will take advantage of the more numerous and better targets.



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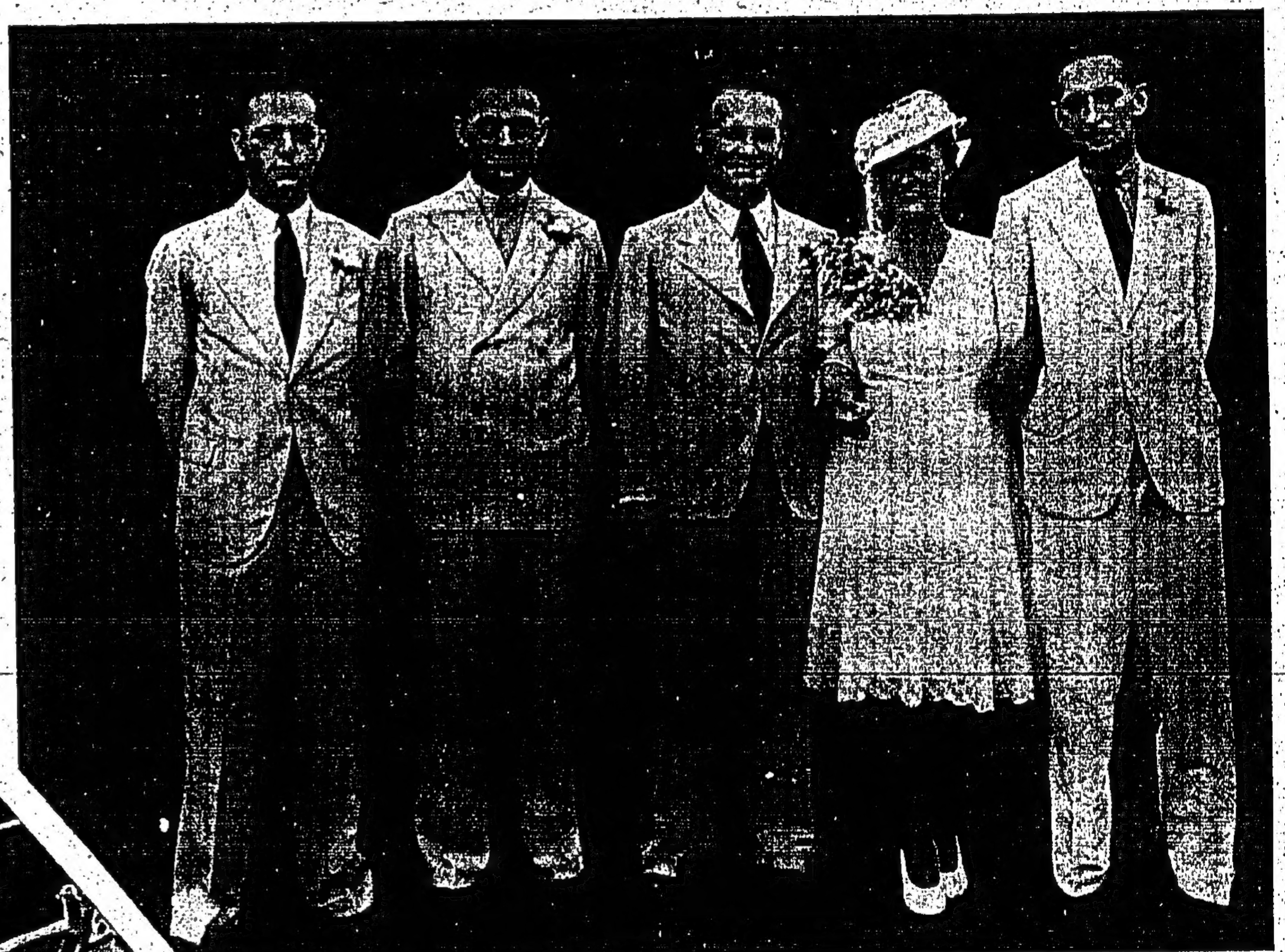


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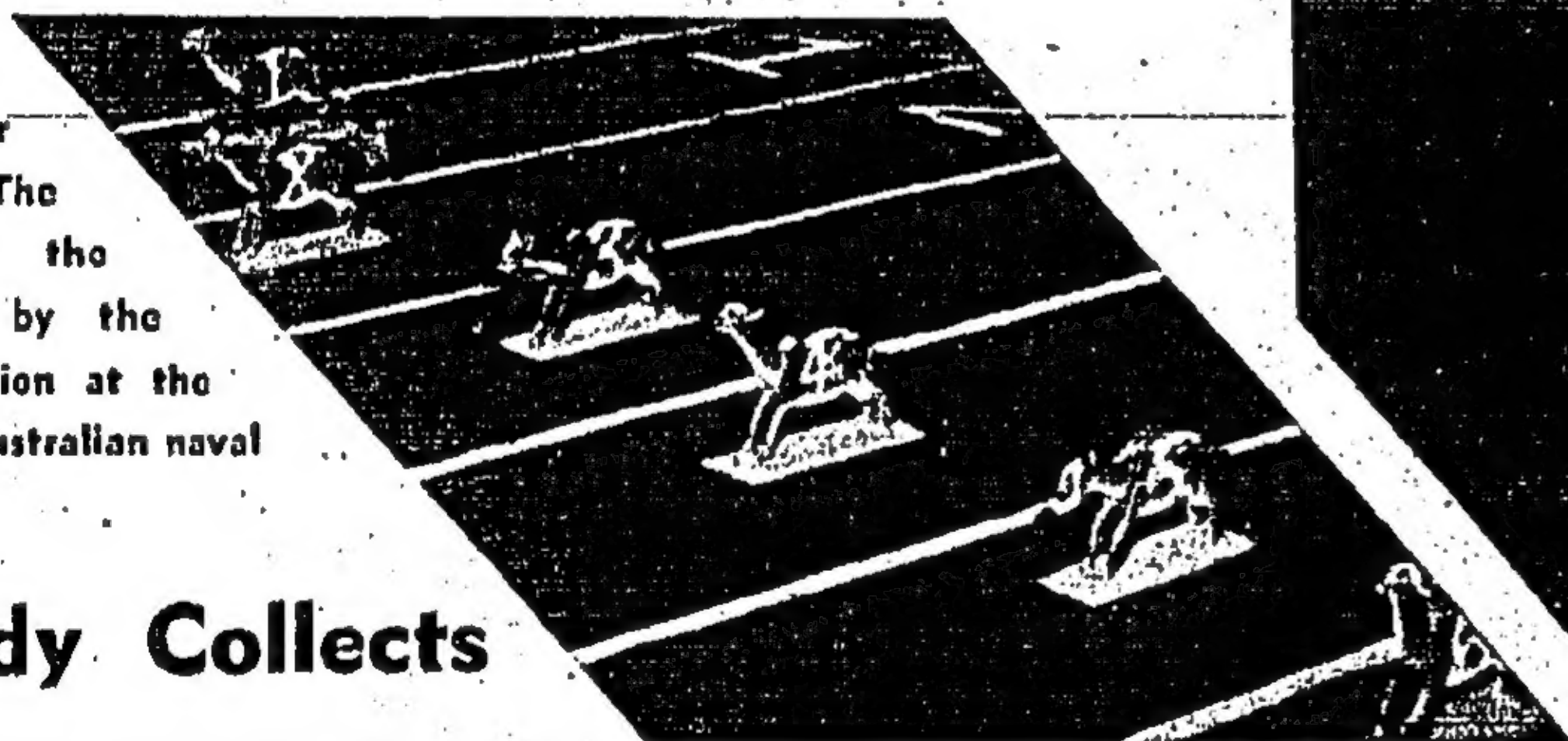
The girl kneeling at the altar, cutting her wedding cake, walking with her husband, is Mrs. B. O'M. Deane. She was married on Tuesday at the Peak Church.

Before her marriage she was Miss W. B. Maughan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maughan of Shanghai. She is leaving next month for Madras to stay with her husband's family.

The wedding group at the right was taken during the reception at 302 the Peak. All photographs are by Ming Yuen.



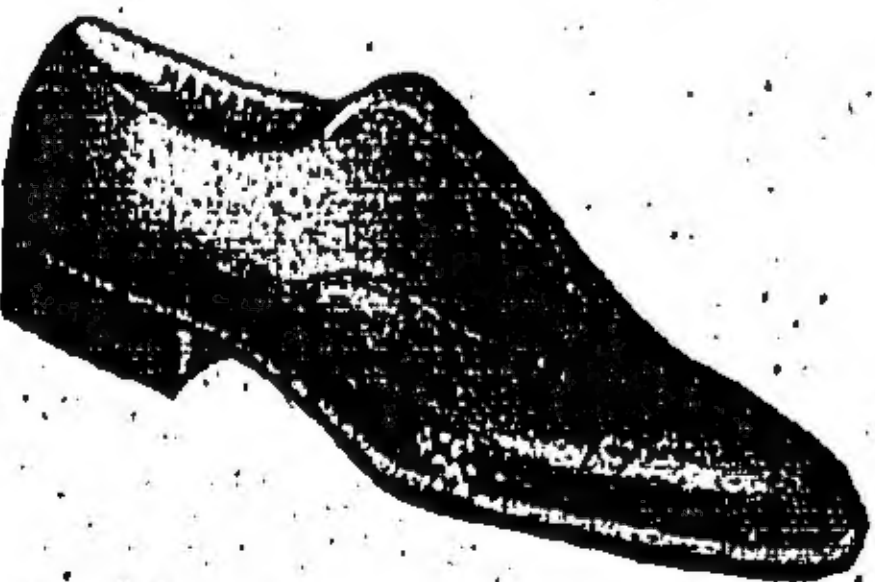
The jockeys wind desperately, the horses skitter across the floor—and the lady wins a prize. The pictures were taken during the Melbourne Cup meeting held by the Australian-New Zealand Association at the K.C.C. on Tuesday night for the Australian naval reservists—Ming Yuen.



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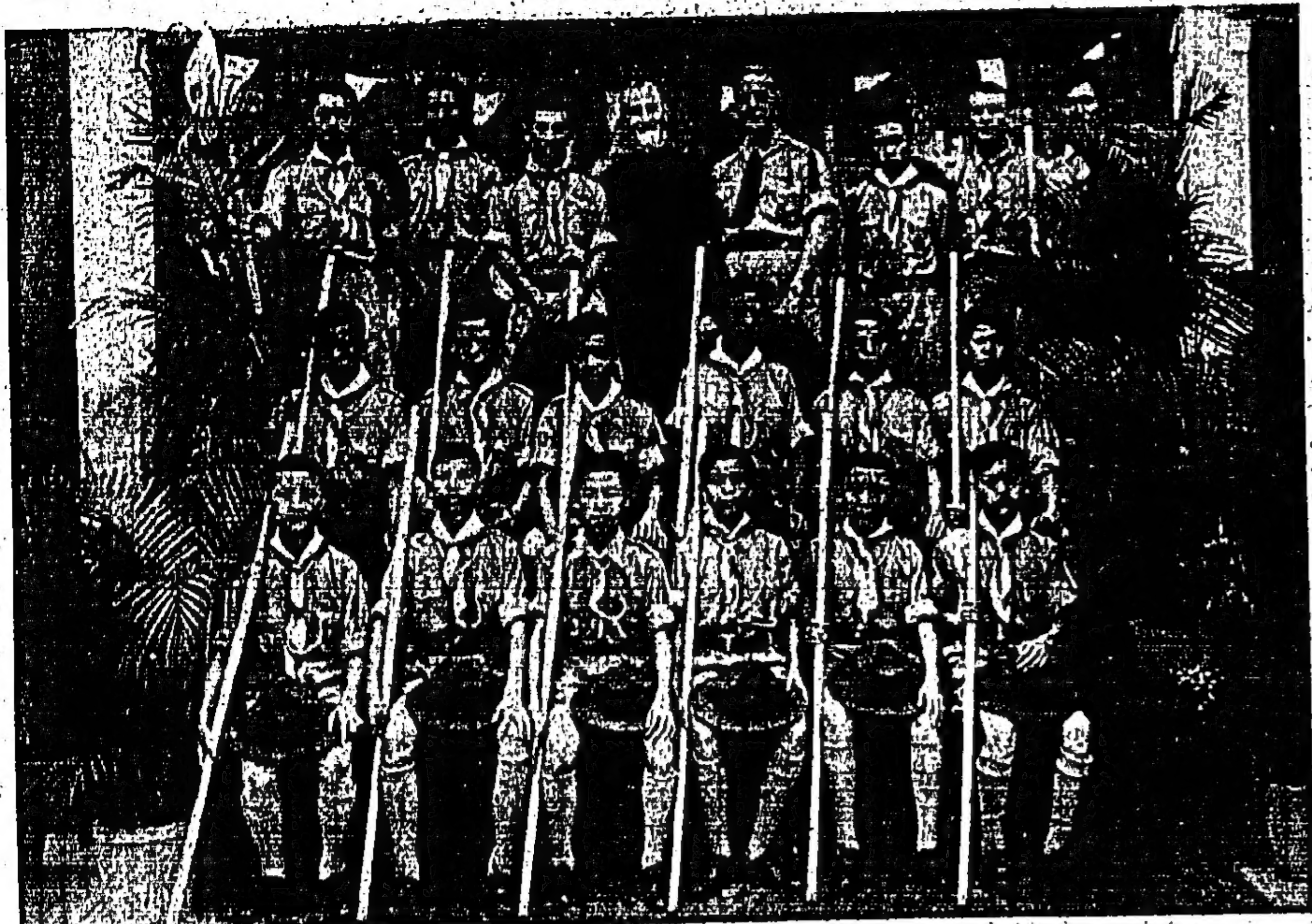
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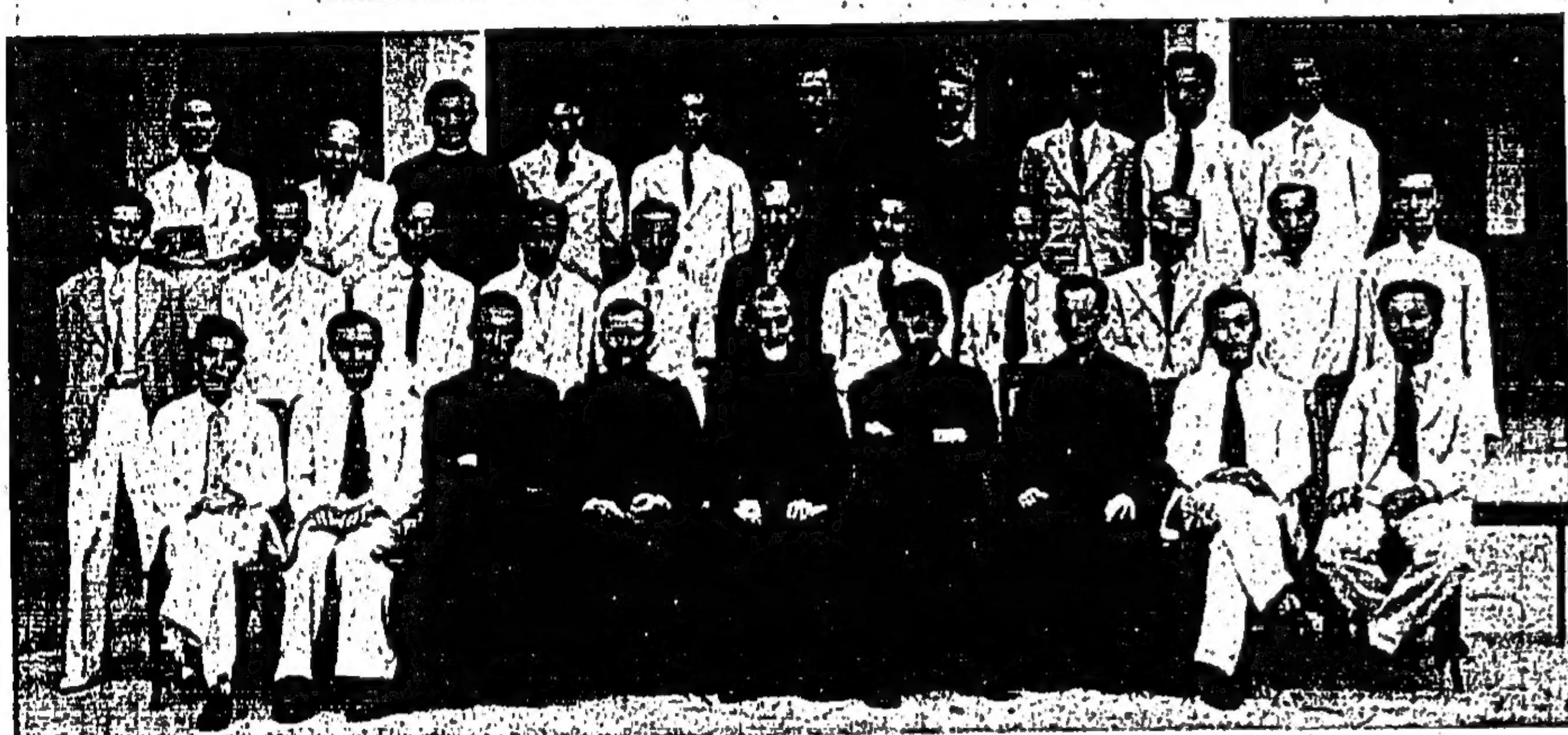
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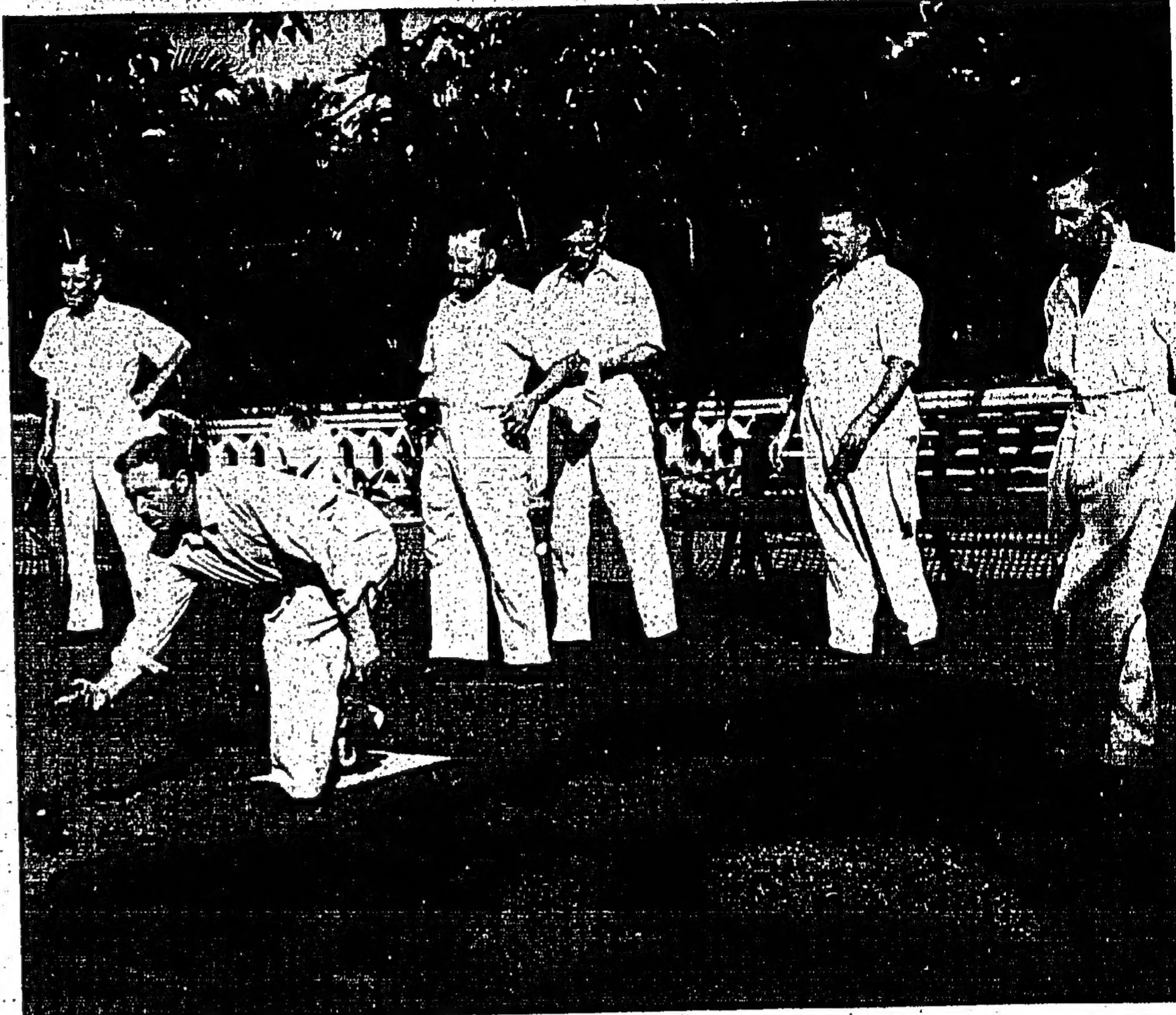
The 10th, Hongkong (St. Louis) Troop of Boy Scouts invested nine new scouts during the week. At the back of the picture are the Scouts District Commissioner (Mr. Quah), the principal of St. Louis Industrial School (Father Guarona) and Scout Master Brother Frederick.—Ming Yuen.



The teaching staff of St. Louis Industrial School. The Principal, Father Guarona is in the centre of the photograph.—Ming Yuen.



Miss D. E. M. Wilson was married to Mr. T. F. Stainton at St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday.—Meo Chung.



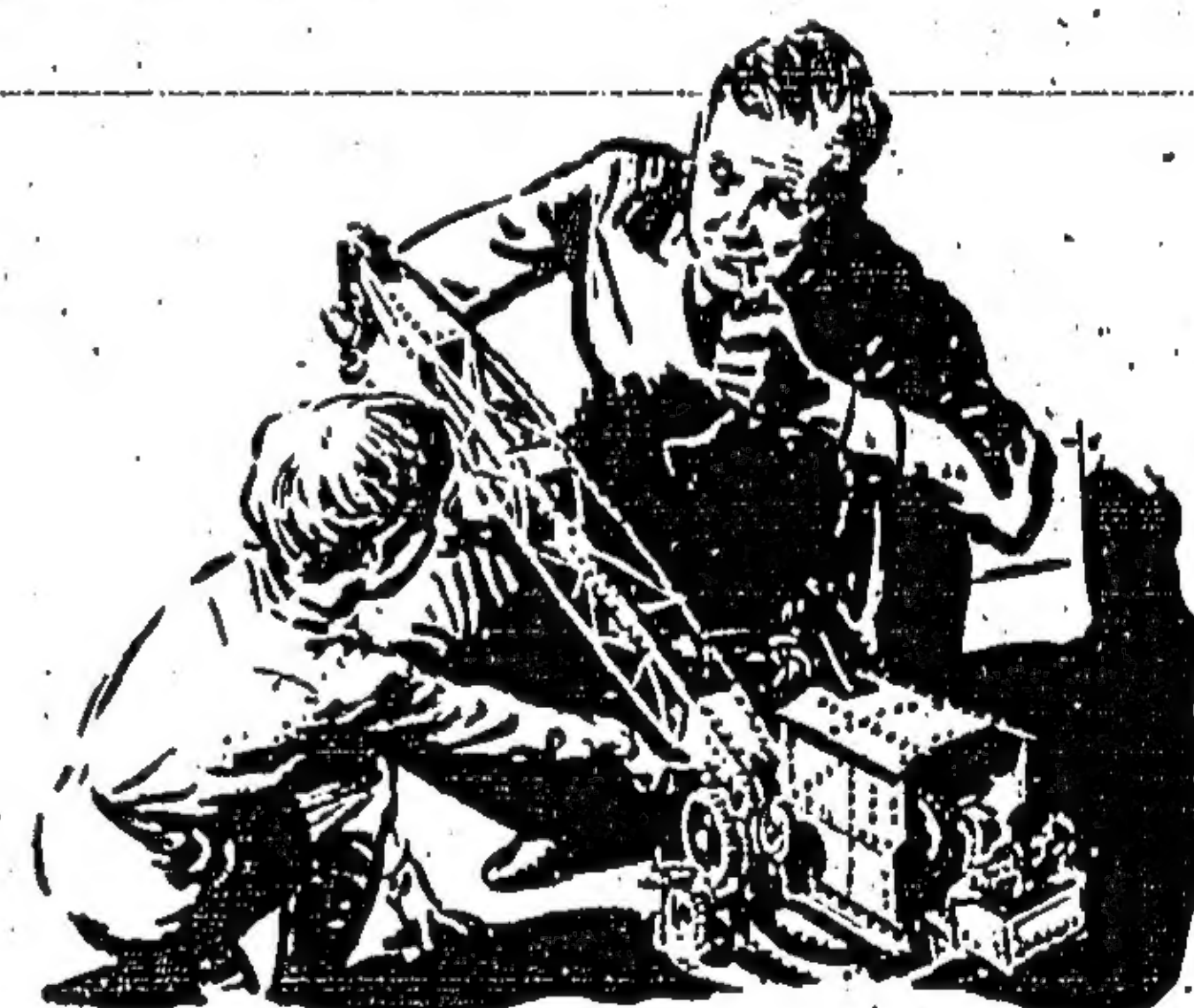
ACTING GOVERNOR PLAYS IN BOWLS MATCH

The Officer Administering the Government, Mr. N. L. Smith, bowling during the Government House match between the Bowlers and the A.S.C. Company, Volunteers.—Ming Yuen.



The bride was Miss B. M. V. Ribeiro, the groom Mr. L. E. Cruz. The photograph was taken after the wedding at St. Teresa's, Kowloon.—Ming Yuen.

Many of the great men and women of to-day were sensitive, highly-strung children



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When a child is highly-strung and sensitive, it depends in many ways on you whether he'll develop into a fine human being or not.

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But it is in this very mental and physical make-up of the child that the danger lies. He lives more intensely, reacts more vividly to every little thing in his surroundings. That's why the bringing up of such children needs far more insight on the part of the parents than the bringing-up of ordinary children.

Many such brilliant children have failed in life. They've grown up weak, easily-led and over-sensitive, simply because their parents did not understand certain health warnings in childhood.

When you notice that your child is off his food, or that he looks pale, puffy under the eyes, that he's rather nervous and irritable or gets tired too easily, then you should act quickly.

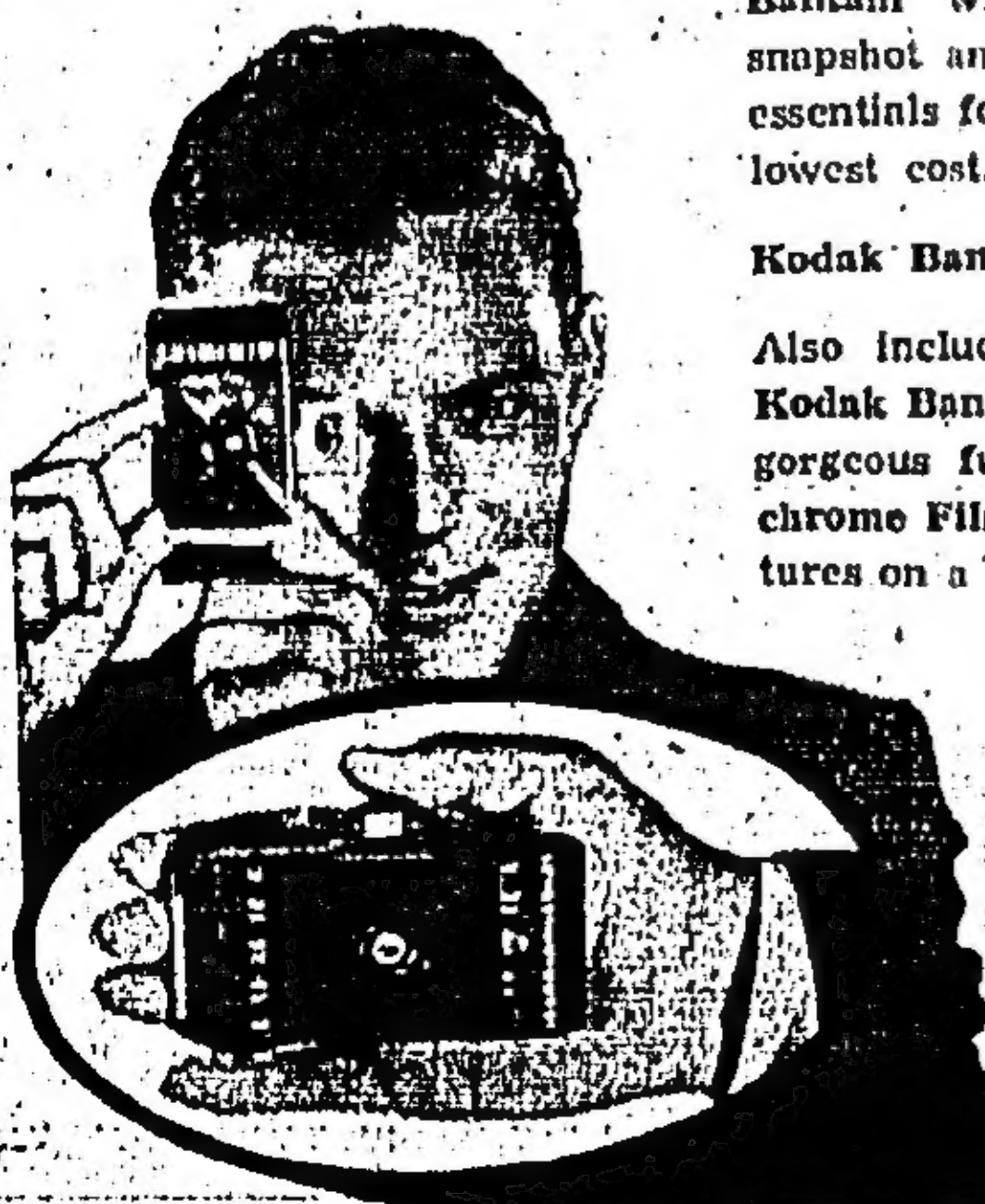
All these are warning signs that the child is using up his nervous energy more quickly than he's replacing it. And it is at night, during sleep, that these stores of nervous energy should be replaced. If they are not replaced, the nervous strain on the child gets worse and worse. He is suffering from Night Starvation.

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383 Missing From Meknes

Nazis Try To Evade Responsibility

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—The latest official list states that 383 men are missing from the torpedoed French liner Meknes.

So far the French Press and radio has made no reference to this German outrage.

After the first boasting of having sunk the ship, the Germans are now turning over themselves trying to blame British for not having notified Germany. They now coolly assert that the British should have waited to receive a Nazi assurance of safe conveyance before allowing the ship to sail.

French officer, who has been rescued from the Meknes, provides an adequate answer to these antics.

"The Germans," he said, "are dirty dogs."

NAZIS FORCE RUMANIA

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measures" has occasioned some pre-occupation in Rumanian Government circles.

A Soviet spokesman declared that many thousands of refugees are arriving daily from Rumania complaining of the tyrannical nature of the Rumanian regime.

The spokesman said their treatment had better be improved or the Soviet Government would be obliged to take frontier measures.

What Hitler Wants

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—The German Radio announces that the Rumanian Premier and Foreign Minister have been received by Hitler at Berchtesgaden.

In the opinion of diplomatic circles in Europe, Germany will lay down the lines of development of the greatest supply of the things she wants, notably Rumanian oil and wheat.

She also wants the Rumanian Army to be demobilised and put back to work.

Germany may attempt to dispose of the Hungarian and Bulgarian claims on Rumania somehow and anyhow, but no one supposes that the German Government will be motivated by any desire for justice or the rights of small nations but simply for Germany's own interests.

SELASSIE READY TO LEAD ARMY

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even die-hard isolationism to defend with any conviction. The Germans nor the Japanese may like such actions, but they will give them no greater ability to retaliate than they possessed before."

Japanese Reaction

TOKYO, July 26 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's action of adding petroleum and scrap metal to the list of licensable commodities was described by a Japanese Foreign Office spokesman as a "very important matter which will cause great reaction in Japan."

Official Japanese circles declare that as the American law in question was enacted for the purpose of conserving war materials in the United States, it is incomprehensible that oil and scrap iron, which are abundant in the United States, should be included in the list.

Japanese Interested

WASHINGTON, July 26 (Reuter).—The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Kenseki Horikawa, called on Mr. Sumner Welles to-day and it is understood that they discussed the imposition of licensing restrictions on oil and scrap metal.

At a press conference to-day, the President denied that any embargo was involved, and added that the question was only one of National defence.

OPERATIONS ON FRENCH BORDER

NANNING, July 27 (Dome).—The closure of the Kwangsi-Annam border was significantly tightened when Japanese troops reached Shui-kow-chen, key border town about 40 miles north of Chennankwan and 80 miles west of Lungchow, at 7.40 o'clock on Thursday afternoon.

Lohu, about 10 miles east of Shui-kow-chen, was reduced by the Japanese forces earlier in the afternoon.

New Appointments

The following new appointments have been made by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government.

Mr. Harry Maughan Cockle to act as Accountant, Treasury, with effect from July 8; and Mr. Samuel Lewis Lloyd to act as Organiser to the General Group for Welfare Services in the Hongkong Defence Reserve during the absence from the Colony of Mr. John Keith Bousfield, M.C.

The roads originally known as Main Street, Sai Wan Ho, and Main Street, Shaukiwan, will in future be known as Shaukiwan Road. The road commences at its junction in a south-easterly direction, running in a south-easterly direction and terminating at its junction with Factory Street at No. 12 Bridge.

U.S. Wants To Help British Children

Roosevelt Indicates Line Of Action

WASHINGTON, July 26 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt declared at his Press conference to-day that the United States has a deep desire to do everything possible to help remove the children from England, and that he might eventually ask for reasonable assurances that refugee children could obtain safe passage to America.

The first step involved in providing perhaps 10,000 children with passports, the next step will be to ascertain what the British Government will be able to do about sending children to the United States or perhaps Canada in British vessels.

Appeal To Nazis Possible

President Roosevelt added that a little later on a stage might be reached when the United States would ask for reasonable assurances that if American vessels went over to evacuate them there would be no torpedoing.

Asked to comment on the legislation pending before Congress to permit the use of American ships, President Roosevelt said there were three sides to the problem: (1) the attitude of the British Government; (2) America's own deep desire to do everything she can; (3) the safety of the children.

Appeal To Nazis Possible

President Roosevelt added that the last named is the crux of the matter.

President Roosevelt explained that without a reasonable assurance of safe passage it would be a big responsibility for ships flying the American flag to undertake the transport of children. He alluded to the sinking of the French liner Meknes.

British Blockade

When informed of reports circulating here that owing to British blockade activities the United States might extend the combat zone from which American vessels are barred to the Spanish coast, President Roosevelt remarked that this was about the last call of communication left and it would be kept open as long as possible.

President Roosevelt told newspapermen that he had not heard of the appeal from the Committee in the Netherlands that he should urge Britain and Germany to negotiate a peace, nor had he any idea when he planned to send 3,000 planes a month to England would be put in operation.

Bill Approved

WASHINGTON, July 26 (Reuter).—The Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives have unanimously approved a Bill permitting the use of American vessels to carry European children from the war zone.

The Bill provides that any vessel so used must have safe conduct guaranteed by all belligerents.

How Raider Sunk The Davian

NEW YORK, July 26 (Reuter).—The crew of a Norwegian ship which rescued 25 survivors of the British freighter, Davian, stated that the freighter was sunk by a fast 10,000-ton German raider named Narvik.

The raider was disguised as a Swedish merchantman and carried disconcerting six-inch guns.

The survivors stated that the Davian was attacked on July 10 about 240 miles east of the Virgin Islands within the American neutrality zone.

Crew's Story

The crew stated that the raider on approaching the Davian suddenly threw a piece of canvas bearing a swastika over the side and opened up with two six-inch guns.

The Davian replied with her single four-inch until a shot from the raider wounded the gun four seamen, and forced the Davian to surrender.

Put Adrift In Leaky Boats

The remainder, numbering 60, were put adrift in leaky open boats with only water and hard tack.

The life-boats containing 41 men, reached a West Indian island, but 26 of the Davian's crew drifted and rowed or sailed 640 miles before a Norwegian ship, Lief, found them more dead than alive a mile from Samana in Santo Domingo.

The crew stated that the raider could make 10 knots and carried 300 men.

STOCK EXCHANGE IMPROVES

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—On the Stock Exchange to-day, a steady stream of buying orders was responsible for a general improvement under the lead of Kaffirs, while home rails were also prominent on the satisfaction of to-day's interim dividends.

Of the industrial stocks, the leaders attracted support. Oil and copper shares moved up at first and subsequently were steady.

Glit-edged holdings were quiet.

Wall Street was steady.

According to to-day's "Government Gazette," His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to permit the following to "quit the Hongkong Defence Reserve: John Alexander Fraser, M.C.; William Robert Mansfield, George Richard Payne, and Mr. Frederick Charles Harris.

Forecasts Good News For Britain

TORONTO, July 26 (Reuter).—Hints that important news favourable to Britain was to be expected within a week was made by Bernt Balchen, head of the Norwegian Air Mission, in an interview here to-day.

M. Balchen said: "I cannot reveal at present what is happening or may happen. The news—and it will be big—will break either at Washington or in Toronto."

Home Lured Girl Absentee

The first Manchester case of a woman active service member being charged as an absentee from her unit ended before the local Bench, Lydia Williams, eighteen, of Shrewsbury-street, West Gorton, of the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service, being ordered to remain in custody to await a military escort.

Williams, who appeared in khaki uniform, was stated by Detective Yates to have been detained at London-road station at 4.15 that morning. She then admitted she had been away from her unit for a week.

"Her platoon was passing through Manchester on its way from the Midlands to another base in the north," added the officer, "and she admits that she deserted to go to her home."

"She has been sleeping at the railway station and whoever she could, because her mother would not have her at home."

Gun Has Crew Of Five Brothers

Ready to repel enemy raiders somewhere in the North of England is a gun which is almost a family affair. Men of the battery call it the Cranmer gun—because five of its crew of six are the brothers Cranmer, of Zion-street, Sunderland.

Soon, maybe, the sixth man will be replaced by another Cranmer who has just registered for military service. The brothers hope he will be sent to join them.

Elder brother, Atkinson Cranmer, aged thirty-nine, is the crew corporal, the others—Alfred, thirty-two; Charles, twenty-nine; Robert, twenty-seven, and Frederick, twenty-five—rank as gunners.

Their father is Mr. C. W. Cranmer, who won the Military Medal in the last war.

Women's Air-Raid Example

London building—the Ministry of Information—set a good example in coolness when the raid alarm was sounded the other day.

Clerks, typists, and teleprinter operators left their desks and went calmly to the shelters, where, almost without pause, they continued with their work.

Other girls who were sleeping on the premises put on their dressing gowns and walked to their seats in the shelter, where they calmly chatted or continued their interrupted rest.

Groups of men in the same shelter played cards and journalists who had carried their typewriters with them continued with their work.

INVASION CHANGES OBJECTOR'S VIEWS

"The invasion of Norway and Denmark by Germany has somewhat changed my views," Charles Edwards, Laboratory assistant of Sportsbank-road, Calford, told London Conscientious Objectors Tribunal.

"I realise the Nazi menace must be reduced and I am willing to do everything in my power except conscientious duties," he went on. "I have been in medical research for three years and it has been saving life. The serum we produce have gone to every country in the world."

The Tribunal directed that Edwards shall be employed on non-combatant duties only.

Australian Downs 11 Germans

A young Australian fighter pilot claims to have accounted for six German aircraft in three days, bringing his total bag since the war began to eleven.

He got two Dorniers, the first day of the total war, one Messerschmitt 110 one Saturday, and two Henschel Army Co-operation machines, and a Messerschmitt 109 on the next day.

The young Australian and other members of his flight ran into five Messerschmitt 110's, the formidable cannon-firing type, and claim to have shot down the lot.

BEST BEGGAR

Only seven years old, little Jean Ordway, whose father is a special police sergeant at Barnhill-road, Hayes (Middlesex), is the record collector for the Red Cross in Hayes and Harlington.

So big are Jean's collections that she is to have a special box made for her as the usual boxes are too small. In a few weeks she has collected nearly £20.

In recognition of her record effort, Jean is to meet Lord Southwood at the Red Cross headquarters.

ENQUIRY INTO ARMSTRONG-JENKINS NON-TITLE BOUT

Prize Suspension Order From Commission

NEW YORK, July 18 (UP).—It was Black Thursday to-day for youthful Lew Jenkins of Sweetwater, Texas, lightweight champion of the world.

In addition to being defeated in six rounds on a technical knockout last night in his non-title battle with Hurricane Henry Armstrong, Jenkins, along with Armstrong and their respective entourage, to-day experienced the mortification of having all purses held up.

The New York State Athletic Commission ordered Promoter Mike Jacobs to withhold the purses of both the lightweight and welterweight champions.

No immediate reason was given for the order, but the Commission has scheduled a special session to-morrow and has ordered all persons connected with the fight in any official capacity to appear without fail.

REPORTED AGREEMENT

A PUZZLING feature of the set-up which may explain the Commission's action is a letter received by Bill Brown dated yesterday, before the fight, in which was disclosed a reportedly private agreement between the managers of the two fighters that Armstrong would be allowed to wear more bandages on his hand than the Commission rules permit.

Just why Armstrong should desire additional yards of bandages is not quite clear, unless the persistent report that his hands are breaking up is true.

The Norman Conquest

Mr. Harold Laski raised a roar of laughter at the Labour Party conference at Bournemouth when, introducing the executive's report on Labour's home policy, he said:

"Britain has been conquered twice in its history—once by William the Norman in 1066, and once by Montagu the Norman in 1931. We take the view that the reign of Montagu the Norman should now end peacefully to its close."

ITALIANS BOMB TOWN 6 TIMES

CAIRO, July 26 (Reuter).—A communiqué says that Italian aircraft bombed Mersa Matruh six times to-day but the only results were slight damage to a workshop and a fire in a small petrol dump. There were four casualties.

There is nothing new in other fronts.

Quiet In The Desert

NAIROBI, July 26 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day says: "Quiet day. Normal air reconnaissances were carried out, and no movement was reported."

Mr. Quo Tai-chi Sees Premier

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—"Reuter" understands that Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the Chinese Ambassador, called on Mr. Winston Churchill by invitation yesterday evening and remained with him in conversation a long time.

During their conversation the whole Far Eastern situation was reviewed in a frank and friendly spirit.

FINED £300,000

Max Ausnit, steel magnate, who fell from King Carol's favour, was sentenced in Rumania to six years' imprisonment and fined £300,000, as well as being deprived of his civil rights for ten years, for fraudulent currency operations.

Ausnit's downfall was attributed partly to German pressure. He was formerly closely associated with British Vickers interests.

Morse Typewriters

Survey detectives visited several houses at Hindehead. A delivery boy had told them he had heard tapping noises which sounded like the Morse code.

But the officers discovered that the tapping came from houses occupied by evacuated firms and was caused by... typewriters.

NAZI RAIDERS OFF IRELAND

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—It is understood that German aircraft attacked shipping off the coast of northern Ireland to-day.

Flashes of anti-aircraft guns were seen by watchers.

HONOLULU, July 26 (UP).—The Japanese Steamer Tatula Maru was granted a clearance by the Treasury Department at Washington and sailed for Japan at 7 a.m. to-day—12 hours later than her original scheduled sailing time.

Second Lieutenant Thomas Alexander Pearce has been allowed to resign his commission in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from July 31.

Our OLDEST SOLDIER

In a cookhouse, somewhere in England, is the man who claims to be the oldest regular soldier in the British Army. He's seventy-year-old Tom Scarce, of Burgess Hill, Sussex—a private in the Royal Sussex Regiment serving in his third war.

East August—he gave his age as fifty-four and was passed A.1.

Tom served through the Boer War in the 14th King's Hussars; took part in the Relief of Ladysmith and, during fourteen years' service, gained four bars to the Queen's Medal.

In the Great War, he was a sergeant in the Royal Army Veterinary Corps, and was in Germany for two years in the Army of Occupation.

£243,000 A Day Orders

During the first year of the war the British Government is spending £20,000,000—about £243,000 a day—on buying war materials and other supplies in Canada. It was announced in London recently.

Orders amounting to about £14,000,000 already have been placed with Canadian firms, and others totalling a further £2,400,000 will be awarded shortly.

Foster Mothers Need Aid

Domesticated women are needed in reception areas to assist foster mothers who have taken evacuees.

Immediate recruitment of a large number is urged by the Women's Group on Problems of Evacuation, of which Miss Margaret Bondfield is chairman. Many difficulties in reception areas could be solved, it is believed, if foster mothers could be assured of regular help.

"There must be thousands of women available for this work of national importance," Miss Bondfield said. "It is suggested that they should receive 21s. weekly for keep, plus travelling expenses. Beyond this they would be expected to give their services voluntarily."

Countess Temple Gets Decree

Countess Temple of Stowe was granted a decree nisi by Mr. Justice Bucknill in the Divorce Court because of the adultery of her husband.

The suit was not defended by Earl Temple, who succeeded to the title in February, since the divorce proceedings had been pending.

The marriage took place in Wiltshire in July, 1934, and there are no children.

According to the case for the Countess the marriage was normal until 1937, when her husband admitted misconduct. He left her in June, 1938, and later she found that in April, 1939 he had stayed with another woman at an hotel at Mundesley-on-Sea, Norfolk.

Scout's V. C. Award

The Cornwell decoration—the Boy Scouts' V.C.—has been posthumously awarded to Junior Engineer John Dunn, hero of the liner Domala, bombed and set on fire by a German plane.

Dunn, with a leg broken and severe injuries to his arm, crawled 300 ft. down the engine-room tunnel through flames and smoke and then climbed a 40 ft. ladder to the main deck. As he lay dying a few minutes later, he said: "Don't worry about me." He was a Deep Sea Rover Scout.

Cairo Frenchmen Support Britain

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—After passing a resolution of determination to fight at Britain's side, the French National Committee at Cairo has sent a telegram to General de Gaulle affirming its faith in an Allied victory.

The telegram continues: "Since a great nation offers to pay with her blood for the liberation of France, we take this decision to aid this effort by all means in our power."

First Curfew Case

Believed to be the first case under the new Order prohibiting all male aliens between sixteen and sixty being out of doors between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m., Jean Keith, aged twenty, a Frenchman, was remanded at Folkestone charged with a breach of the order.

He was alleged to have been dancing at a Folkestone hall about eleven the previous night. His father, now dead, was French and his mother German.

CIGARETTES LOOSE TO SAVE PAPER?

Because of the shortage of paper, Sir Stanley Road (Con., Aylesbury), will suggest in the Commons that cigarettes should be sold loose to save cardboard, paper and metal foil.

Sir Herbert Williams (Con., South Croydon) will ask why it has been decided to increase the size of postage stamps by about twenty per cent.

OBJECTORS LOSE JOBS

Chatham Town Council agreed without a discussion that all persons in the council's service known to be conscientious objectors shall be requested to resign their appointments.

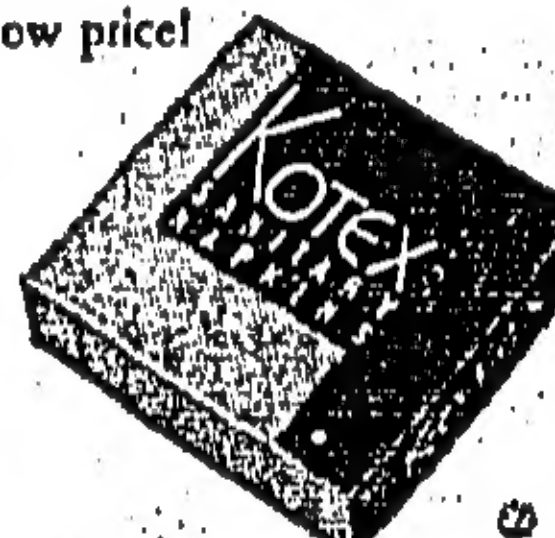


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"WICK'S" BOWLS NOTES

TAIKOO PROVIDES SWEEP SURPRISE

Interesting Games To-day In Junior Leagues

(By "Wick")

BECAUSE they were playing away, few of those interested in the bowls sweep last week expected Taikoo R.C. to give ticket No. 147 the first prize. But Taikoo won handsomely by the wide margin of 36 shots at Happy Valley, beating Kowloon B.G.C.'s 30-shot margin over the Police R.C.

There was little of note in the First Division matches last week except that the Hongkong Football Club scored their second success of the season at the expense of the Police R.C. George Duncan's 11-shots win over A. E. Carey proved sufficient to give the Footballers victory by four shots although the other two rinks went down.

The champions, at home to Kowloon B.G.C., were up for all rinks, thus strengthening their position at the top of the table. Their nearest rivals, Craighower C.C., were in action on the same green and kept pace with the champions by beating Recreio "B" by 21 shots.

The race for the championship still remained between these two sides.

NO SURPRISES

IN the Second Division, the leading teams won their matches according to expectations. The only surprise, if it can be called that, was the victory of Kowloon C.C. over the Club de Recreio.

The fight for top honours is very even in this division. This week's matches may throw some light on the destination of the shield. Kowloon B.G.C. the present leaders, have to travel to Taikoo R.C. and as the latter are also interested in the championship, this tussle may prove the "lit-blt" of the day's programme.

Kowloon F.C. who are in second place in this division, will be at home to Craighower C.C. If Taikoo win their home fixture and Kowloon F.C. beat Craighower, as they should, there is a general levelling of the three top positions in this section.

ANOTHER OPEN RACE

THE Third Division race is also an open affair, with at least four teams in the running. Hongkong Electric, since two weeks ago, held a 100 per cent. record, but have slipped up badly in their last two matches, both of which they lost. They are still among the leaders—they are joint first with the Prison O.C.—but they cannot afford many more slips if they are to carry off the shield, a performance which they have never done before.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

TO-DAY'S engagements in the First Division contain little over which one can enthuse. There is just an outside chance that the Indians, on their own green, may surprise Recreio "A". But there is one club the Indians have never beaten either home or away—and that is Recreio "A". Every other team in the First Division they have beaten some time or other since their promotion to the premier division.

Craighower should have no difficulty in maintaining second position as they will be playing at home against Kowloon C.C. who, despite their victory over Civil Service last week, are not likely to give much trouble at Happy Valley this afternoon.

RINK QUARTER-FINALS

TO-MORROW on the Civil Service C.C. green, the four matches in the quarter-finals of the Open Rink championship will be decided. From the point of view of ensuring, insofar as possible, that the four strongest rinks should meet in the semi-finals, the draw could not have been better if these four "strongest" rinks had been "seeded".

On paper, form, the four semi-finalists ought to be the rinks skippered by G. H. Sherriff, C. S. Rossetti, J. C. S. Fender and U. M. Omar. But who knows? Anything may happen to-morrow! Harrower's performances are still fresh in our minds.

THE programme is:

FIRST DIVISION
Indian R.C. v. Recreio "A"
Craighower v. Kowloon C.C.

METROPOLE HOTEL
CENTRAL - CLEAN
COMFORTABLE - FIREPROOF

K.B.G.C. - RECREIO "A" LEAGUE MATCH



Kowloon B.G.C. v. Recreio "A" League match. H. A. Alves' rink against G. H. Sherriff's. G. W. Deacon (K.B.G.C.) bowling, while standing left to right are J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C.), R. F. da Luz (Recreio), L. J. Silva (Recreio) and J. C. Gill (K.B.G.C.). Alves won 29-12.—Ming Yuen.

Sweep Forecast

(By "Wick")

It is difficult enough sometimes to forecast the result of a bowls match, let alone forecast the three widest margins of victory in a programme of 14 matches. But I have been asked by the Sports Editor to have a shot at it, and so, with some trepidation, I venture what in my opinion should be the best bets (home team to win in each case):

- (1) Craighower (1) v. Kowloon C.C. (1st Division).
- (2) Hongkong F.C. (766) v. Indians (3rd Division).
- (3) Kowloon B.G.C. (769) v. Civil Service (1st Division).

EASTERN A.A. SWIMMING GALA THIS EVENING

EASTERN ATHLETIC Association Bathing Club's gala scheduled for this evening commencing at 7.30 p.m. has attracted a large number of entries for the various events. It promises to be an excellent evening's programme of swimming.

The main event of the evening is the Open 300 metres free style 6-men relay race. Included in the list of entries received is the victorious Chung Shing Benevolent Society B.C. team, which won a splendid race at the Ching Wing gala. Ching Wing Union is going all out to avenge their defeat, not to mention Eastern, both of whom are fielding strong teams.

The newly formed International Athletic Club's swimming section have also signified their intention of fielding a team.

ENTRIES

- Following are entries received:—
- 300 metres free style 6-men relay race (Open).—Eastern A.A. B.C., Chinese Bathing Club, Chung Shing B.S.B.C., International A.C. and Ching Wing Union.
 - 100 metres free style for Foreign and Chinese (Open).—Wan Lian-man, Le Hung-she, Shiu Wai-sun (Sing Tao Jih Pao), Lo Shek-kwan (Shing Tao Jih Pao), Fung Kwai-sung (Shing Tao Jih Pao) and A. Elms (H.K. Telegraph).
 - 50 metres free-style (women members).—Tang Wai-ching, Choi Chung, Leung Fiu-chung, Leung Cheuk-har, Ling Yau-tuen, Leung Ah-mei.
 - 50 metres arithmetical race for girl students of Chi Kiang School.
 - Obstacle race for members (men).
 - 100 metres breast-stroke for beginners (men).
 - 100 metres back-stroke.—Shek Kam-pui, Lui Shek-kwan, Yeung Man-wai, Yeung Man-ki, Kwok Chun-shing, Ng Chor-kin.
 - 50 metres breast-stroke (boys).
 - Water Polo v. International A.C.
 - Eastern: Woo Cho-kin, Kwok Fung-sun, Yeung Man-ki, Shek Kam-pui, Fook-tee, Chu Chok-yan and Wing Ching.
 - International A.C.: Soares, D. Leonard, A. J. Hussain, H. Wingice, L. Remedios, D. Hutchinson and Henry da Sa.

Police v. Civil Service C.C.
Kowloon B.G.C. v. Recreio "B"
K. Docks v. Hongkong F.C.

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon F.C. v. Craighower
Talkoo v. Kowloon B.G.C.
K. Tug v. Police
Recreio v. Civil Service C.C.
Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

THIRD DIVISION

Prison O.C. v. Kowloon F.C.
Hongkong C.C. v. Craighower
Hongkong F.C. v. Indian R.C.
Hongkong Elec. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

Sea Biscuit's Career

His Final Glory: Santa Anita Triumph Breaks Record Earnings

(Final Chapter)
By Jack Guenther

ARCADIA, Cal. (UP).—When Seabiscuit went limping to his barn on Feb. 14, 1939, it looked like the saga of Hard Tack's most famous son was ended. The Biscuit had strained a ligament in his left ankle. Such injuries often heal, but seldom will the injured limb ever bear up beneath a drive in the stretch. Seabiscuit was out of the Santa Anita handicap of 1939 and he stayed alone in his stall while his stablemate, *Kayak II*, won the race he twice had lost.

The game little cuss went back to the Howard ranch near San Francisco and the next thing the racing world heard was that he had been placed in stud.

That appeared the clincher. Not more than a half-dozen horses ever have been sent into the domestic life and then successfully brought back to the tracks.

But Seabiscuit was restless in his new life as a country gentleman. He had the finest mares on the ranch for company, but he didn't want them. It was only with the greatest persuasion that he was induced to mingle at all. The old campaigner was restless to run.

Each succeeding day his ankle was growing stronger. By midsummer he had five mares in foal, but more important to him he was beginning to unloose around and Silent Tom Smith was beginning to talk of bringing him back.

Racing men gave Smith sceptic ear. Possible, they said, but hardly probable. For cripples never come back. But the doughty Biscuit did—where almost every other horse and failed.

HE came slowly. He began working steady and hard on the tracks in northern California. Soon Smith reported he had stood up under a drive.

But the reports still were taken with plenty of salt when the Howard entourage came south to Santa Anita for the Biscuit's fourth and last try for the \$100,000 pot.

Well, Seabiscuit went over the rainbow, and the gold was waiting there for him just as the story books say.

They finished third in that first comeback race. They were beaten, but they had gotten into trouble and they had proved the most important thing of all—the Biscuit had four legs again.

They went into another sprint and again they were in trouble and again they finished far back. They were almost written off as has-beens, then, but a week later they proved their critics wrong. They won the \$10,000 Santa Anita handicap going away, and it was Seabiscuit again for the \$100,000 purse of the Santa Anita.

The Santa Anita

YOU know about that Santa Anita, now. How after two heart-stopping defeats and a breakdown, the Biscuit made his last try good.

How he broke near the top, went close to the front on the first turn, then hung on like a bulldog until they came into the stretch.

How he picked up his tired old legs in that run for home while 75,000 people went literally crazy with joy at the sight of something they had hoped to see but thought they never would.

How there was a clean length of golden California sun between him and his nearest rival when he hit that finish line on top after four long years to boost his life-time earnings to \$437,730 and knock Sun Beau off the perch forever.

That was the greatest race of a truly great career. It was won in the first fastest time ever recorded for a mile and a quarter, and it was won under the heaviest weight ever carried to victory by a Santa Anita winner. It was also the superlative moment of a superlative horse.

And don't you think the Biscuit didn't know it. Far up in the press box, J. J. Murphy called the Kid's last run just as he had called the runs of 1,500 horses before.

He's a hard-boiled baby, that Murphy, but of the Biscuit's triumph he could only say: "That was the first time in my 15 years of charting races that I ever saw a horse cross a finish line with an obvious look of satisfaction on his face."

Soccer Council Meeting

Committees & Officials For The Season

FORMAL BUSINESS was dealt with by the Council of the Hongkong Football Association at a meeting held at the Bank of Canton Building yesterday. The Chairman, Mr. Wong Ka-tsun, revealed that H.E. Mr. N. L. Smith had accepted the Presidency of the Association, and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo had accepted the office of Vice-President.

Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were re-appointed as Treasurers of the Association, and a request from the Treasurers asking that the present monthly fee of \$20 a month revert back to the old fee of \$75 a month, was approved by the Council. Mr. C. A. Goldenberg, who has been Secretary for the last two years, was re-elected for the coming season.

NEW COMMITTEES

The following Committees were also appointed:

Appeals Board.—The President and Vice-President.

Referees' Sub-committee.—R. M. Omar, T. J. Stokes and J. McKelvie.

Emergency Sub-committee.—W. E. Hollands, L. H. S. Cooper and Captain W. A. Peel.

Grounds Sub-committee.—C. Guimaraes (Chairman), L. Hopkins and Philip Lee.

League Management Committee.—To comprise the Referees' Sub-committee, the Emergency Sub-committee, and the Chairman of the Grounds Sub-committee.

AFFILIATION APPLICATIONS

Applications by the 20th R.A. the 35th R.A., the 36th R.A., Shell House Sports Club, and A.S.A., for affiliation with the Association, were approved. An application by the Tsimshuist R.C. were sent to the League Management Committee to decide.

The Chairman remarked that among the old clubs no replies had yet been received from the Kuanan Rifles, the 5th R.A., Hongkong University, and Hongkong Electric.

A letter from the Hongkong Area Sports Board, asking for representation on the Council for military teams in the Second and Third Division, was rejected.

LEAGUE FEES

Letters from the Army and Navy representatives regarding the question of entrance fees for the season were also dealt with by the Council. It was decided that if the League did not commence, fees would be refunded, but no refund would be made once the League started.

Future meetings of the Council will be held on the second Wednesday of every month.

Those present were Mr. Wong Ka-tsun (Chairman), Messrs. W. Pryde, W. E. Hollands, C. Guimaraes, G. F. Walker, R. M. Omar, Philip Lee, Mok Hing, L. Hopkins, W. J. Brown, T. G. Stokes, J. Skinner, Captain M. M. Mann, L. H. S. Cooper, Captain W. A. Peel, C. A. Goldenberg (Secretary), and L. F. de Souza (Assistant Secretary).

Pirates Blank Boston Braves

NEW YORK, July 26 (UP).—Pittsburgh Pirates blanked the Boston Braves 9-0 in the National League to-day, while in the American circuit, the Cleveland Indians trounced the Washington Senators 13-2.

The scores were:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

| Team | Score |
|--|---------|
| Pittsburgh | 9 13 1 |
| Battery: Heintzelman, Lopez. | |
| Boston | 0 0 6 3 |
| Battery: Posedel, Strincevich, Williams, Berres, Andrews. | |
| Chicago | 14 13 1 |
| Battery: Frensch, Todd. | |
| New York | 1 7 1 |
| Battery: Melton, Dean, Danning, Oden. | |
| St. Louis | 3 7 2 |
| Battery: Warnke, Hutchinson, Lanier, Doyle, Bowman, Owen, Delancy. | |
| Brooklyn | 3 5 0 |
| Battery: Tammils, Casey, Phelps. | |

(Nine and one half innings were played when the match was abandoned owing to rain.)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

| Team | Score |
|---|---------|
| Washington | 2 8 3 |
| Battery: Monteagudo, Kraskauskas, Early, Evans. | |
| Cleveland | 13 20 0 |
| Battery: Feller, Hemsley, Pytlak. | |

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"Hasn't anybody told you about Gimlets? I stuck to them all evening. Feel as fresh as a whole field full of daisies."
"Ugh!"
"You mean that Ross's Lime Juice takes care of the hangover before it starts?"
"Definitely. It's known as 'a therapeutic agent' if that conveys anything to you."
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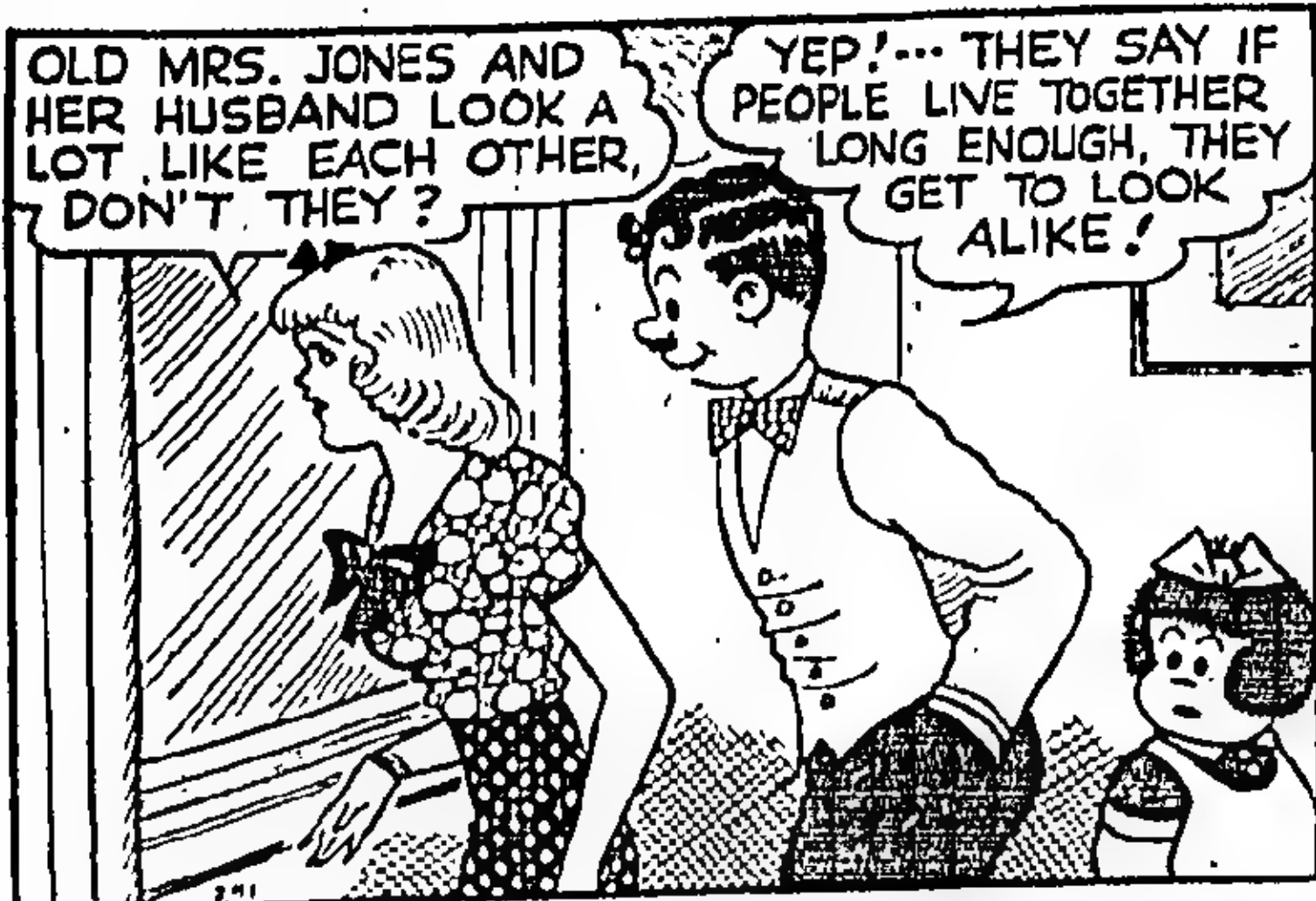


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U.S. May Stop Trade With Europe

London, July 26. All United States shipping to European countries is expected to be prohibited after the extension of a water-tight British blockade to the entire continent of Europe, as is expected next week.

The operation of drastic British naval control outside Iceland will be certain as a result of the designation of the new combat zone under the Neutrality Act, thereby banning United States vessels from journeys to Spain and Portugal.

The statement which the Minister of Economic Warfare, Mr. Hume Dalton, intended to make in the House of Commons today has been postponed, probably until the 28th, but it is reliably expected that the British Government's policy regarding a ruthless blockade is not only formulated, but has received the Cabinet's approval, and that only administrative difficulties delay its official announcement.

According to United States sources, the United States Maritime Commission, after consultation with the British authorities, has completed arrangements to prevent the shipment of oil in United States tankers to neutral and non-belligerent countries through whom it could reach Germany and Italy; it is hoped that these arrangements will be extended to tankers chartered by United States oil companies.

Too Dangerous

Washington, July 25. President Roosevelt's action came after it was learned that the Maritime Commission had refused to permit American tankers to carry oil to Spain in group voyages, deeming them "too dangerous," despite the fact that the Atlantic coast of Spain and Portugal are outside the neutrality zone. It is believed that the British may have objected on the grounds that eventual delivery may be made to the Axis Powers.

The British long have objected the shipment of oil and other goods to Spain by the issuance of "navicerts," but recently it was understood that the British have increasingly limited the issuance of such documents as a result of American vessels carrying large quantities of oil to Spain at their own risk without navicerts.

To avoid the likelihood of American vessels being taken into the contraband control stations—which would be contrary to the Neutrality Laws under which American vessels are forbidden to enter the ports of belligerent nations—the United States apparently undertook to prevent American tankers to go to Spain.

War Relief Supplies

Washington, July 26. War relief supplies from the American Red Cross are being hurried to Britain daily, according to Mr. Norman Davis, Chairman of the Organisation. All available space in British ships is being utilised for the supplies, which include ambulances, food, clothing, medicine, and surgical goods. Sixty-one ambulances are scheduled to leave for Britain.

Movements Of Fleet

Nazi Attempt to Discover Position

Shanghai, July 26. The British Embassy issued a statement today that the German and Italian reports from Tokyo that the British Far East Fleet had left Singapore, indicate that the Germans have become confused over the movement of British warships in the Far East which recalls their interest in the aircraft carrier Eagle and the Ark Royal whose whereabouts they attempted to determine by a series of grounders statements.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Demand during the week has been on a broad and representative scale, though in the main for the lower priced issues. Supply of scrip at the outset was scanty, but at the close, with the price having slightly slackened, is now more readily available at current quotations. On balance gains have been registered. Where the revenue is the case can be ascribed to a satisfied buying which at the outset was impatient to acquire shares. This has been followed by profit takers efforts to avoid missing the bus. Trains have declared an interim of 50c, the same as last year, payable on 15th prox. This declaration affords an opportunity of obtaining a misapprehension as to the incidence of local War Taxation. An impression has gained credence in some quarters that whatever profits tax Companies may be assessed for under the War Taxation Ordinance will be automatically deducted from all dividends paid from now on. This is erroneous. The tax is not an Income Tax. Although the tax may possibly affect future dividend declarations, the chances are that the past sound financial policy pursued generally by our Local Companies will be reduced to the benefit of shareholders. They may find dividends are not impaired.

Business Done During the Week
Govt. 3 1/2% Loan (1934) 95
I.K. Bonds \$1,180, \$1,200
China Underwriters 50 cts.
Docks (Old) \$18.50, \$18 1/2
Docks (New) \$16
Providents \$3.80, \$4
Hotels \$3.70, \$3.60
Lands \$31, \$32, \$33
Trams \$15.10, \$15.45, \$16
Star Ferries \$57 1/2
Yau-nai Ferry \$21
China Lights (Old) \$6.70, \$6 3/4
China Lights (New) \$3.45
Electric (Old) \$36 1/4, \$37
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Telephones (Old) \$22 1/4, \$22 1/2
Cements \$14.35, \$15, \$15 1/2
Daily Farms \$18.15, \$18 1/2
Watsons \$9 1/2, \$9 1/4
Constructions (Old) \$1.60
Constructions (New) \$1

Buyers
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Electric (Old) \$37.20
Telephones (Old) \$22.25

Sellers
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Docks (New) \$16
Providents \$4
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OBITUARY

Death Of Australian Naval Reservist

The funeral of A. B. Bradbury, an Australian naval reservist who died in hospital yesterday following an operation, took place at the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon with full naval honours.

The Rev. Charles Strong, Acting Chaplain for the Royal Navy, officiated at the service.

Bradbury was a highly popular member of his ship's company, and could be judged by the large attendance, and the many wreaths.

Wreaths were sent on behalf of

Mrs. Bradbury and family; and by the Commodore, Hongkong; Officers and Men of H. M. Ships of the China Station at Hongkong; His Old Pal "Cyrril"; West Australian Ship Mates, His Comrades of the Stoker Division, Lower Deck Ship's Band, the Stewards, Petty Officers, Ship's Company, the Captain and Officers, the Engineers. Members of 11 Mess, Members of 20 and 21 Messes.

CROWN LAND SOLD

New Territory Lots Bought at Auction

Six small lots of land in the New Territories passed from the Crown to private ownership at a public auction held in the District Office, South, by Mr. S. F. Balfour yesterday.

Seven-year "Mother" to City

CLUTCHING the hand of her seven-year-old guide, a sixty-eight-year-old Norfolk woman stood outside Liverpool-street Station to stare at the hundreds of passers-by, and the buses, taxis, shops and tall buildings she was seeing London for the first time.

It was the first time she had been more than twelve miles from her lonely home.

"Goodness, Lennie," she murmured to the little boy at her side, "I like it fine."

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Perfect Escort

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GIRL JAN LOVES IS PRISONER

JAN, twenty-year-old Dutch sailor, should have been married in Holland. Instead, his young fiancée is a prisoner in her home town, which is now under Nazi command.

Jan is one of about thirty sailors from a Dutch ship who landed at an east coast port.

Harassed by gunfire and bombs, this heroic party scrambled aboard another vessel after their ship had gone down, and the Dutch sailors, for England when a British ship picked them up. Now they want to join the British Navy.

Jan, dressed in blue and white striped vest, thumped his fist on the table in the reception room in an England port.

"I fight till I have killed Hitler, fight to get the girl I love. She was in a town invaded by Hitler and now she is a prisoner. My mother, too, is a prisoner, and today I should have been married."

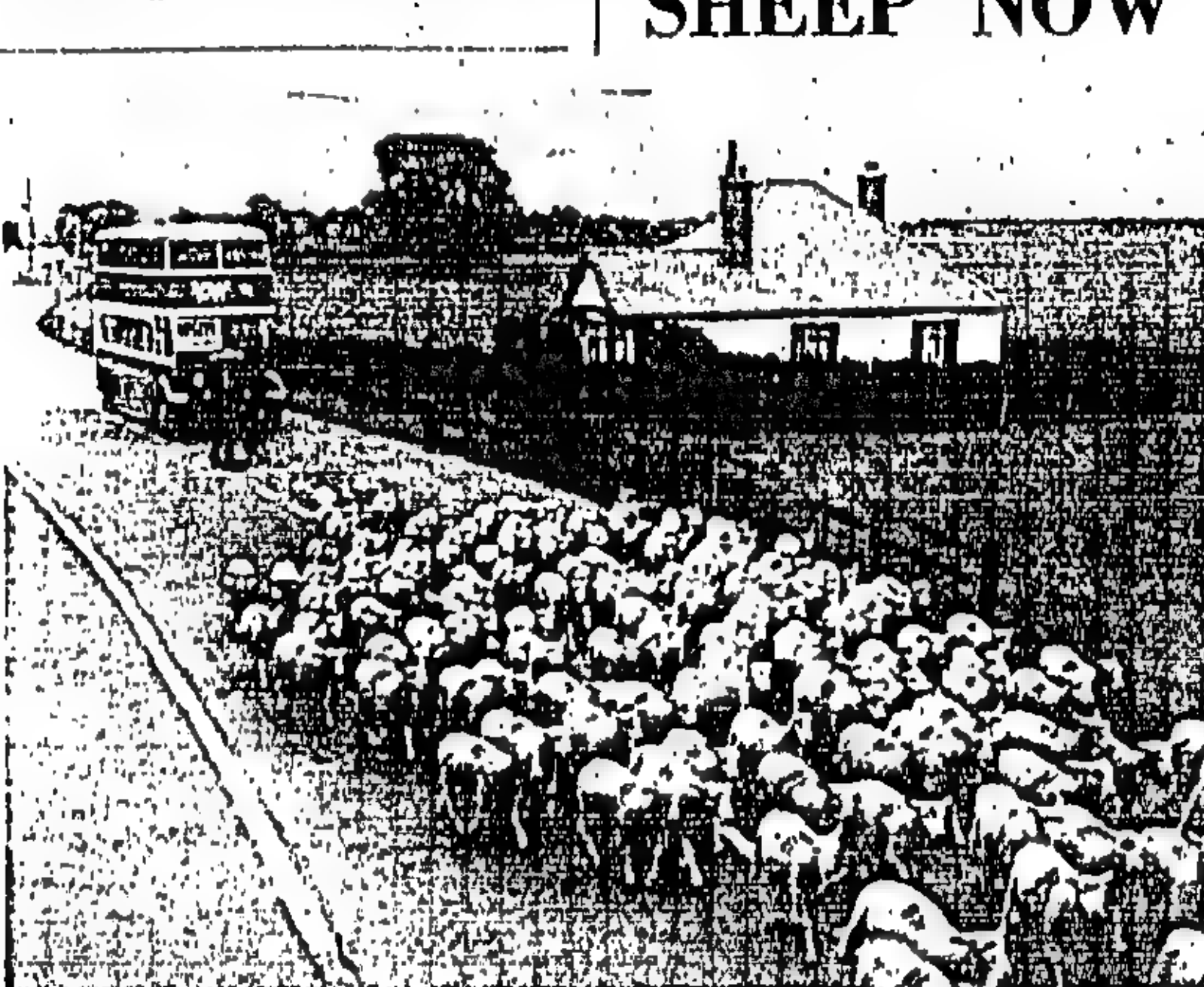
"It was a case of our being captured by the Germans or taking the chance of getting to England," he added. "We took the chance. Now we are here, but we mean to fight to the end."

"How Is Our Queen?"

The first question the Dutchmen asked when they were landed today was, "How is our Queen?" They were told she was safe in this country. They raised a cheer, and a voice in broken English said, "God save our Queen."

Military bases, two piers and many Dutch ships were fired by the Dutch before the Germans could enter.

Boy Took EVACUEE SHEEP NOW



The evacuation of sheep from areas regarded as "Vulnerable in Case of Enemy Action" has begun in England. The biggest movement is the transfer of 100,000 sheep from Romney Marshes to Pasture Land in the home counties.

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Evacuees In Canada Will Cost £2 A Month

MINISTERS of Canada's Provincial Cabinets are to meet Mr. T. A. Crerar, Federal Minister of Information, in Ottawa to link up the Provinces' plans for the reception of "sevacuated" British children.

This was announced following a ruling from Ottawa that responsibility for the children is being placed on the Provincial Governments.

Difficulties of British parents in remitting to Canada the dollars necessary to maintain their children are expected to be ironed out within a few days.

The cost of caring for these children who come from England's council schools was estimated by the Toronto Children's Aid Society.

Disregarding clothing, medical, educational, and other expenses, the cost of maintaining a child between four and twelve is listed at £2 a month; for those between twelve and sixteen at £2 5s. a month.

It is stressed that these figures represent the bare minimum.

All over Canada, Provincial authorities are receiving applications from individuals and organisations who wish to care for evacuees.

The Law Society of Upper Canada has offered to place the children of English and Scottish judges. The Independent Order of Oddfellows has offered its Toronto Orphanage.

Man, 84, Says Give Me a Gun

Marksmen for ten years in the old Volunteers and winner of many gallions of beer when a bottle of ale was that organisation's chief prize for shooting, eighty-four-year-old Thomas Huskisson, of College-street, Cleethorpes, Lincs, wants a gun.

Mr. Huskisson went to the police station anxious to fight parachute troops. But they said he was too old.

"I am not going to let it stop there," he said. "If someone will give me a gun I will take daily walks into the country, keep a watch for

Balloon On Hotel

Hundreds of people watched firemen climb the roof of a residential hotel near Plymouth to release a barrage balloon which hung to the building.

The balloon lost height owing to escape of gas, and its trail ropes became entangled with chimney pots. When the ropes were cut the balloon fell into the street, where it was deflated. No damage was done.

BRITISH GOODS AT WORLD FAIR

LONDON, April 19 (UP).—Britain has shipped ten tons of merchandise to New York in the hope that it will be returned a hundredfold in war materials.

The consignment, a cross-section of British craftsmanship, will be exhibited at the New York Fair as part of Britain's campaign to bolster her export trade and thus gain foreign exchange to purchase war supplies.

Britain is trying to keep up her exports despite the war. Note even wool rationing affects manufacturers whose products are marketed abroad.

Geoffrey Shakespeare, a member of the government, in opening a one-day exhibition in London of the men's clothing being sent abroad by the Men's Wear Council, said:

"What impressed me most is that despite the tremendous effort this nation is making, in what is a life-or-death struggle, nevertheless our manufacturers, merchants and businessmen can still show these wonderful products of British craftsmanship which are the results of hundreds of years experience."

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2.15 Close Down.
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8.03 Compositions of Lehar.
8.32 Carroll Gibbons and His Boy Friends.
8.45 London Relay—London Log.
9.00 London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.
9.45 Variety Request Programme.
12.00 midnight. Close Down.

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1.03 Walter Glynn (Tenor) and the London Palladium Orchestra.
1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 Brahms—Concerto in D Major, Op. 77.
Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by John Barbirolli.
2.30 Close down.
7.00 Beethoven—Sonata in D Major, Op. 28.
Arthur Schnabel (Piano).
7.22 Song by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).
The Shepherd on the Rock (Schubert).
7.30 London Relay—The News.
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Relay—Vocal and Organ Recital from St. John's Cathedral.
1. Concerto No. 3 in G Minor (Handel); 3rd and 4th movements; Andante and Allegro... J. R. M. Smith at the Organ.
8.45 Studio—The eighth of a series of Book Reviews.
8.55 Interlude.
Ave Merin (Kahn)... Florence Austral (Soprano) with Piano.
9.00 London Relay—The News.
9.30 Violin Solos by Elton Zimbalist.
Romance in G (Beethoven, Op. 40) ... with Orchestra; Burlesca (Suk); Persian Song (Glinka-Zimbalist)... with Piano.
9.45 Mozart—Symphony No. 34 in C.
Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the Philharmonic Orchestra.
10.06 Choral Music.
10.15 Studio—Sunday Evening Epilogue.
10.35 Close down.

Women Quit Straits

Many Voluntary Departures For Australia

Although there has been no evacuation order in Singapore many British women and children have recently left for Australia, said Mrs. D. E. Dumareque, wife of the Director of the Malayan Broadcasting Station on her arrival yesterday. Mrs. Dumareque, who is American, has spent the past four years in Singapore and is now passing through on the City of Norfolk with her two young daughters to her home in the United States.

During the Burma Road negotiations British women in Singapore were unofficially advised to leave voluntarily, she said.

Workers' Gallantry

London, July 26.

"What might have been a much bigger explosion, causing loss of life and loss of production, was averted by their gallantry," declared the Minister of Supply, Mr. Herbert Morrison, today when, on behalf of the King, he presented O.B.E. medals for gallantry to three employees of a gunpowder factory in South England who stuck to their posts during an explosion falling about parts of the building were falling about them. They could have escaped to safety, but in their hands were the lives of many other workers and the preservation of vital nitro-glycerine, which they made safe.—Reuter.

MISS FUNG PO-KING WEDS IN SHANGHAI

A quiet Chinese wedding took place in Shanghai on Thursday, when Miss Fung Po-king, a member of the Hongkong English Forum, was married to Mr. Chang Hua-kup.

Mr. Chang is the managing director of the National Trading Corporation in Shanghai.

A reception was held after the ceremony.

Hearabout Tiny Brown?

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more respectful, which she thought was puzzling but all right.

Peggy Spint, at the library desk, couldn't quite catch all they said to each other. But it was Peggy's conclusion that James Penny was a sick one. Of course Peg thought that about most of the summer residents and the young artist in South Lane and any other man who wore a scarf instead of a necktie.

Drenham people didn't take long to agree with Peg about James Penny, though. He began coming into Brown's drugstore pretty often. He'd wedge up at one end of the fountain, out of the way, as polite as you please. But he never seemed to give a hoot who was listening to him talking to Tiny. No matter who was in the store, he'd talk along as easily as if the two of them were alone in a front parlour.

"Not that he says anything wrong," Tiny said. Mrs. Epps turned her. "Nothing you could put your finger on, that is. But it is smooth talk. And he's old enough to be your father."

Tiny didn't think he was that old. However, she only said, "Well, he's so polite, Mrs. Epps. Isn't it right for me to be polite to him in the store?" "In the store!" Nellie Epps pursed her lips ominously. "Don't think for a minute that men like James Penny are ever satisfied with what they can get in a store."

TINY understood what Mrs. Epps meant at least well enough to hope Mrs. Epps wouldn't see her in James Penny's car. It was a beautiful car, wide and low. Tiny got into it one evening because Mr. Penny passed her coming from Drenham Four Corners and it was getting dark and Tiny couldn't, on the spur of the moment, think of any reason he should drive her home.

He spoke to her exactly once the whole way. "Very Small, to-night I'm old and sick at heart. Do you mind if I just look at you and don't talk?"

Tiny already knew that some days Mr. Penny's writing didn't go well and then he felt terrible. So she just snuggled into the gorgeous leather cushions and smiled nicely for him whenever he did look at her instead of the road. The big whirling heater sent a warm blast around her dainty feet, and Tiny thought that if Mr. Penny was heartless it was nice he had such a lovely car to be in.

It wasn't Mrs. Epps who saw Tiny in Mr. Penny's car. It was Eli Pride. Eli had finally gotten up nerve to tell Tiny he'd bought a tuxedo to take her to the Young People's Formal. He was coming "across" Oscar Brown's east pasture to tell her, when James Penny's car stopped at the front gate, let Tiny out, and drove away. Tiny saw Eli coming. She waited for him beside the mailbox.

"I suppose that's part of being polite to a store customer."

"Eli, what?"

"So now you sneak off in the guy's car where there isn't marble counter to get in the way?"

Tiny gasped. It couldn't be Eli Pride talking that way. "Eli! I just happened—"

"A lot of things'll just happen—if you let 'em. Seems like things just happened with you and this guy, right from the start."

Tiny stood there staring up at Eli Pride's face. It was set as stone, and his eyes were cold blank. All this sudden something inside Tiny just let go. You! What have you ever done—what right have you got to say who I can go with and who I can't? I suppose you expect me to just always wait around for—Who do you think you are, Eli Pride? I'll go anywhere I want to go with you, Mr. Penny any time he asks me!

Eli turned and walked away down the narrow road. The thin crusty snow made crisp crunches under his heavy boots. Tiny stood, frozen. Her throat began to hurt—to ache. "And when he hasn't actually said anything!" No, Eli had never said anything. And he looked at her with cold blank eyes. He was walking away. He was never coming back.

If a fellow didn't stop in Brown's drugstore for his cigarettes, it was a mile and a half further on to the Corners store. Eli didn't stop at Brown's. Tiny saw him, twice, go past with the truck.

What Tiny did not see was Eli out in the Pride wood lot those next gray days. Nobody saw, except Pride's hired man, Chester. Old Chester, sweating in the raw wind, fed logs under Eli's whizzing axe. Chester never had said anything about Tiny and Eli, and of course he wasn't going to begin now.

He did say, "Easy with that axe, boy"—then a pause and, sort of off-hand, "Girls are all kind of flighty, I expect."

The axe flashed and rang. "Girls," said, Chester, "are naturally flighty. Always seemed to me, though, if a man kept his shirt on, he could talk sense into a girl."

THE axe paused. "It isn't talk that makes sense, Chet. A person does about what they want most to do, I expect."

Chester saw Eli's eyes—hurt, so hurt they weren't decent to look at. Chester bent quickly down over a log. "This stick's oak. Let 'er have it, boy."

Tiny only knew that Eli didn't come to the store any more, call her up at the house or go anywhere she went, not even to church.

Oscar Brown got pretty troubled about Tiny. She was small and she'd never been particularly strong. She began not sleeping nights. Oscar heard her through the partition. She had a little cough, nothing wracking or tearing, just one of those little single "ahhs" that shows a person is lying awake.

"I don't think much of sleeping medicine," said Oscar, "but Tiny, if you don't quit lying awake I'm going

to mix you one, that's what I'm going to do!"

"Oh Daddy, I'm all—"

"Well, maybe you're right I don't like the idea of dope. I'll stir you up some cough syrup, that's what!" Oscar didn't get around to doing either one because, in the daytime, Tiny always seemed to perk up some. It was James Penny that helped make Tiny's days better. Mr. Penny liked her a good deal. And he said so.

Those days Tiny couldn't seem to care so much what Mrs. Epps said. Tiny didn't mean to go against her, but of course everybody knew Mrs. Epps did a good deal of just talking. Mr. Penny was very sweet to Tiny and always polite. When he invited her to drive over to Ploughman's Inn for supper there wasn't any reason why not. Eli Pride wouldn't be calling up that evening, that was certain. Drenham people weren't fair about James Penny. He was a famous author but he tried to stay modest about it. He wasn't so young any more, but he tried hard to stay limber and gay and sympathetic. He was wise about women, but he tried hard, instead of all, to stay simple and honest with Tiny Brown.

Probably the devil himself couldn't have fixed up a temptation to bent that sweet, nice child. Her blue eyes with dark lashes, her fresh little mouth, her quick soft voice saying kind, eager things—youth as the spring. It was the good part of James Penny that wanted Tiny most, wanted her all the time it was telling him to keep hands off. He wasn't a scoundrel.

But, of course, he was human. At any rate, James Penny was driving back from the movies in Winbury, and Tiny, beside him, was saying especially nice things about the picture because a friend of Mr. Penny's had directed it, when all at once she heard him make a funny noise almost like a moan.

"What, Mr. Penny?" He stopped the car roughly and twisted sideways to face her.

"Very Small, you—you're so darling—so darling!" He kissed her. She wasn't exactly surprised. And she wasn't embarrassed, as she was the day in the store. But she could feel Mr. Penny's hands on her shoulders, trembling. His face, in the dim glow from the instrument board, was strained.

"Very Small, do I seem to you old—or worn at the edges? Scuffed?—I wish, perhaps, I was more young to ask you to marry me than just—but sweet, I—I'm not married—now, I—"

For a second he paused. Tiny was looking at him. She wasn't really hearing the dummy words he was making himself say. Her soft eyes were wide, her lips were a little parted. She was fresh, and young. Penny's heart leaped, and hope, forever young, rose up in him and came flooding out in words.

"Precious little thing, I love you. It will be all right, because I love you. I won't let anything touch you. We'll hide away—away from crowds and hard stupid people. Very Small, will you marry me?"

TINY didn't say anything. Mr. Penny didn't wait for her to before he kissed her again. She realized she must have decided, at some time before to-night, to marry him—if he asked her—because she still wasn't surprised. James Penny was holding her two hands now and looking at her, humbly, seriously. He told her about a little church by a river where a cousin of his was minister. He would get the license, and after the days required by law, they would divine in the night and stay at the cousin's house and in the morning be married there beside the river.

"But—but if I run away—I mean if we go off in the night like that—poor Daddy—"

"Very Small, people will spoil this if we let them. Darling, trust me—No, I must make you see. Darling, all your friends in Drenham would try to stop you—try to make it seem ugly. I—I don't blame them, but—his law set with a sort of desperate determination—but they'd be wrong! And my friends would be even worse—cocktails and champagne and risque cracks about marriage—those people would frighten you and you'd hate them. Oh, precious little thing, I'm not going to let them get at you, not ever. We'll hide away and you'll always be sweet and fresh and adorable. Just us together—for always."

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You think you are honest?

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- 1 Are there books on your shelves which do not belong to you and should be returned to their owners?
- 2 When the conductor forgets to collect your fare, do you keep it?
- 3 Have you ever borrowed an umbrella or mackintosh and omitted to return it?
- 4 Did you ever push ahead of somebody in a queue?
- 5 Have you ever made telephone calls and left someone else to pay when they get the bill?
- 6 If a tradesman handed you a \$10 note by mistake for a \$5 without noticing it, would you accept it?
- 7 Have you ever tried on a train to pass a child as of half-fare age, or under, when you know it was over the age?
- 8 Do you ever let yourself be served before your turn in a shop?
- 9 Have you ever kept somebody else's newspaper, magazine, or bottle of milk when it was wrongly delivered?
- 10 Have you ever returned goods as damaged or defective when you yourself damaged them?
- 11 If you found a purse containing \$50 in some unlikely place and were not seen picking it up, would you keep it and say nothing instead of handing it over to the police?
- 12 When a public telephone or slot-machine cheats itself and returns you more than you are entitled to, do you take it?
- 13 Have you ever taken some trifle in a shop when no one else was looking?
- 14 Do you borrow small sums of money or stamps and fail to repay?
- 15 Did you ever have something sent on approval from a shop, use it once with satisfaction, and then return it as unsuitable?
- 16 In school, did you ever cheat at examinations?
- 17 Have you ever passed on (or tried to) a counterfeit coin that someone passed on to you?
- 18 Do you repeat the clever saying of others as if they were your own?
- 19 If you could obtain \$200,000 by some trick, without much danger of being found out, would you take it?
- 20 Have you ever used your employer's or someone else's stamps for personal correspondence?

frightened or excited, happy or horribly miserable.

All day she kept expecting Eli Pride to come into the store. She didn't know why she expected that, or what she expected he'd say if he did come in. Anyway he didn't.

By supertime, Oscar Brown was in a dither. "Tiny, you've got the jumps. What were you doing coughing this morning before daylight? I'm not going off and leave you with the store to-night, that's what!"

"Oh, Daddy—"

"Well, maybe you're right. Anyway I'm going to mix you up some cough syrup, that's what I'm going to do. And you take a full tablespoonful, you hear me, right after you've had your supper, that's what!"

"Yes, Daddy."

Oscar dithered around so in his prescription room that George Wharf had to call him three times and finally yell, "Oscar! We're ten minutes late right now. Come on!"

Oscar came and George rushed him out of the store so fast that there wasn't time for a last kiss or even a pat. Tiny was sort of whispering, "Goodbye, Goodbye, Daddy" when the door banged and she was left there thinking about never seeing him any more—at least not for a long time.

Tiny made her own supper at the fountain—hamburger on toast, glass of milk, chocolate marshmallow sundae with nuts. And she had promised her father about the cough syrup. She got the bottle where she had left it for her on her work table, and conscientiously poured out her brimming tablespoonful. It was bitter and raw and made her eyes run, but probably there might have been tears in her eyes anyway. Because of the license, and after the days required by law, they would divine in the night and stay at the cousin's house and in the morning be married there beside the river.

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it. Doc Middlebrook worked on Tiny till two A.M. before she opened her eyes. Eli was right there when she did.

"Tiny! Look at me. Tiny, you're all right. You've got to be, Cripes, I love you such a lot! Oh, Tiny!" "Eli!" Her eyes stayed open. She could hardly whisper but she said it as if it were a ringing shout: "Eli, You really said it—you—Oh, Eli, say it again."

Naturally he couldn't say it again now she'd called attention to it, but he stayed leaning over her and holding her close to him as if Doc Middlebrook and the others weren't there. She couldn't raise her own arms, so she just sort of nibbled sleepily at one of his ears with her lips.

Of course Drenham people got mad at Oscar Brown, because they said it was just like him to tell Tiny to take a tablespoonful of cough syrup and then decide to leave her a bottle of sleeping medicine instead. Five drops of Oscar's sleeping dope is the usual dose. Tiny Pride is probably the only person who ever took a tablespoonful.

What Drenham people overlook, though, is that if Oscar weren't the way he is, his daughter would have married that Poisoner sure. That Poisoner is what Drenham people still call James Penny, in spite of his having had anything to do with it. No, Penny wasn't really any sort of scoundrel at all. But a man can't happen along these days and see Tiny Pride watering Eli's plough team and two tow-headed kids all at the same trough without figuring the girl's better off for having swallowed that dope of Oscar's.

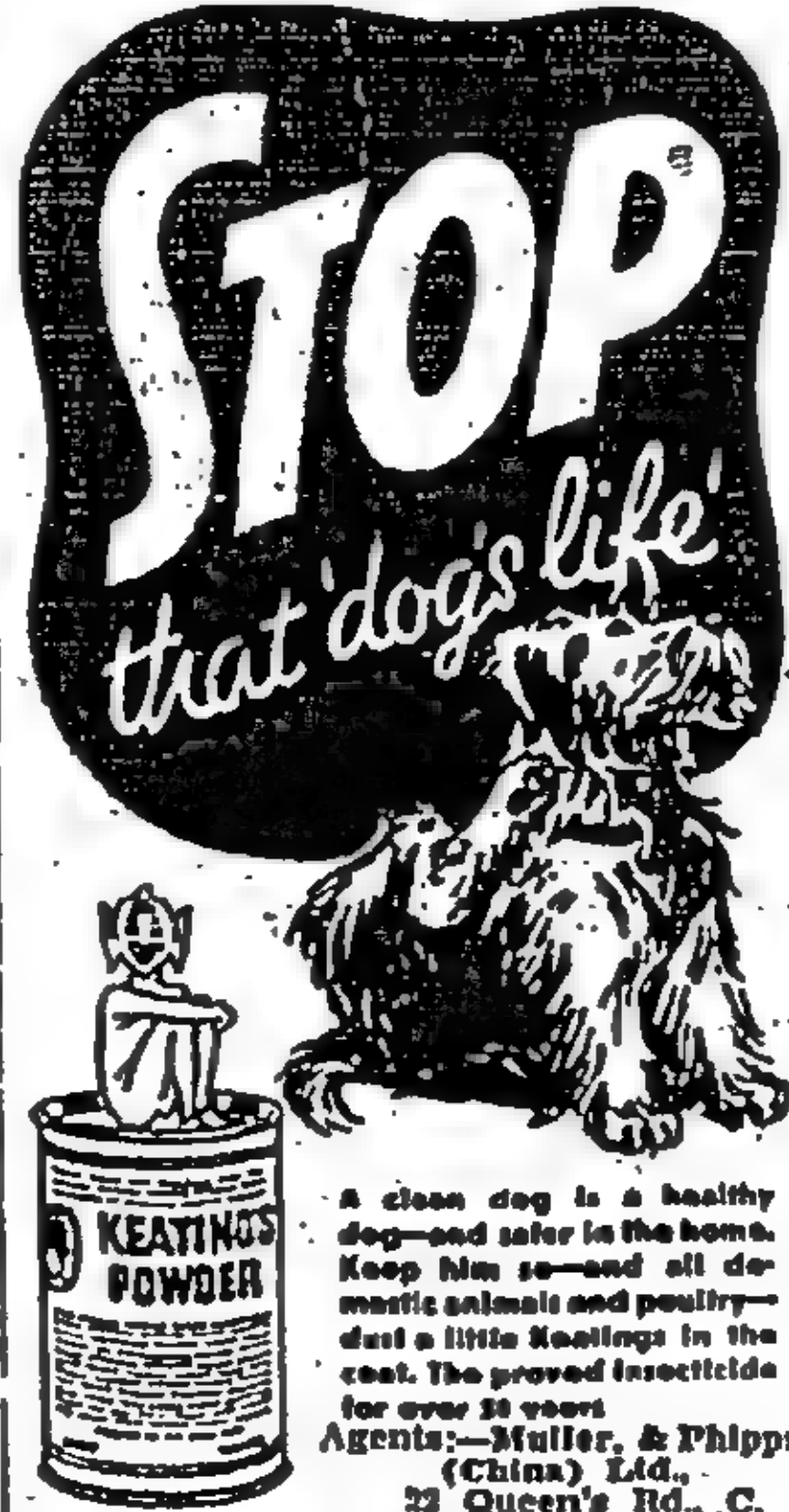
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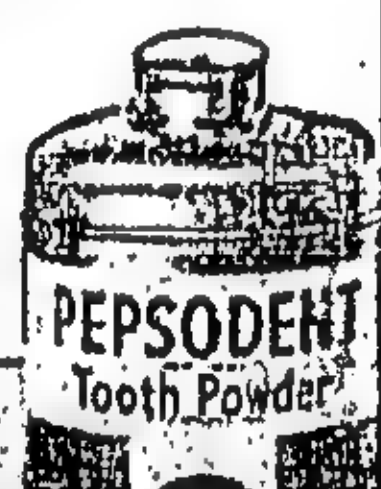
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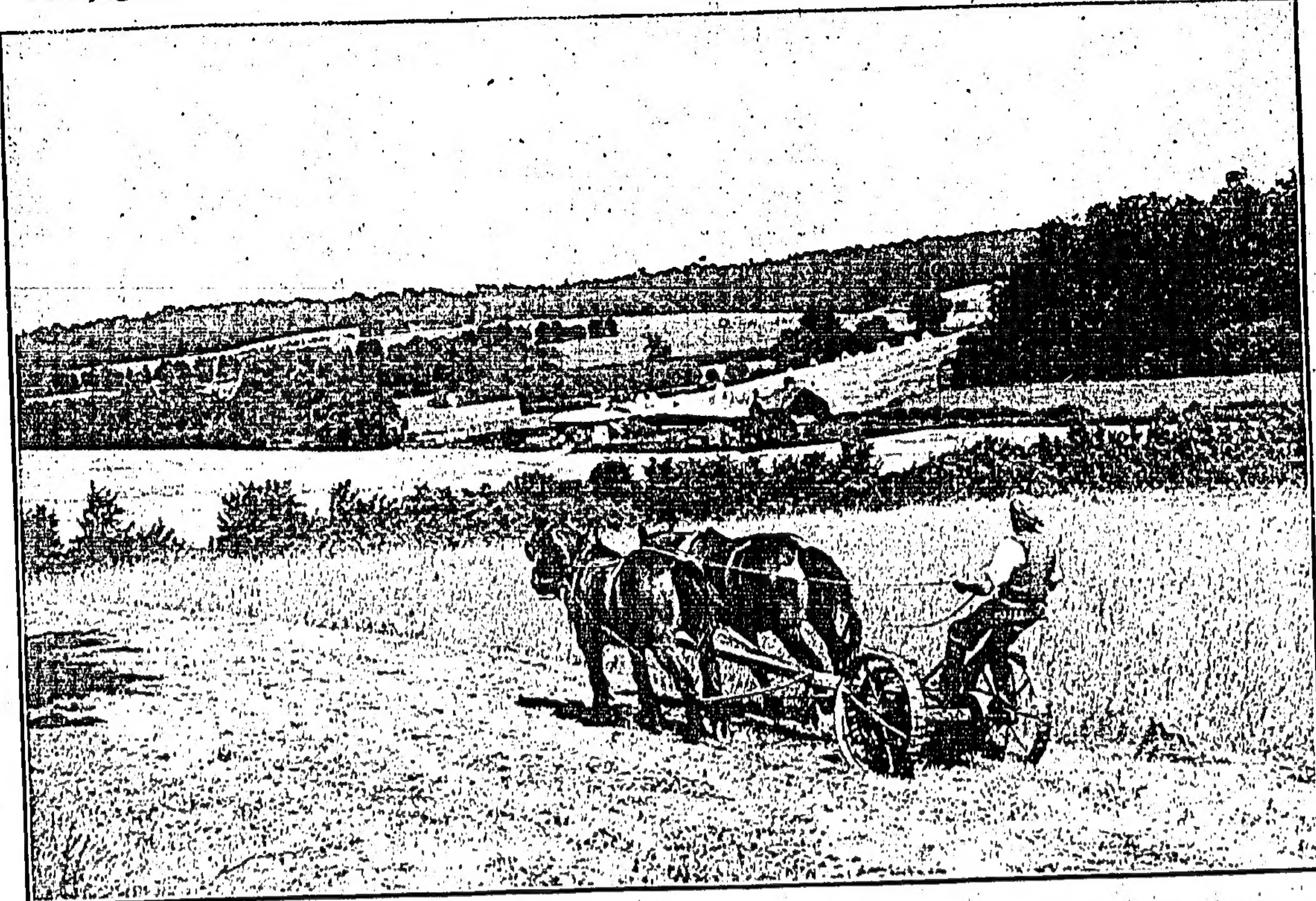
BRITAIN CARRIES ON

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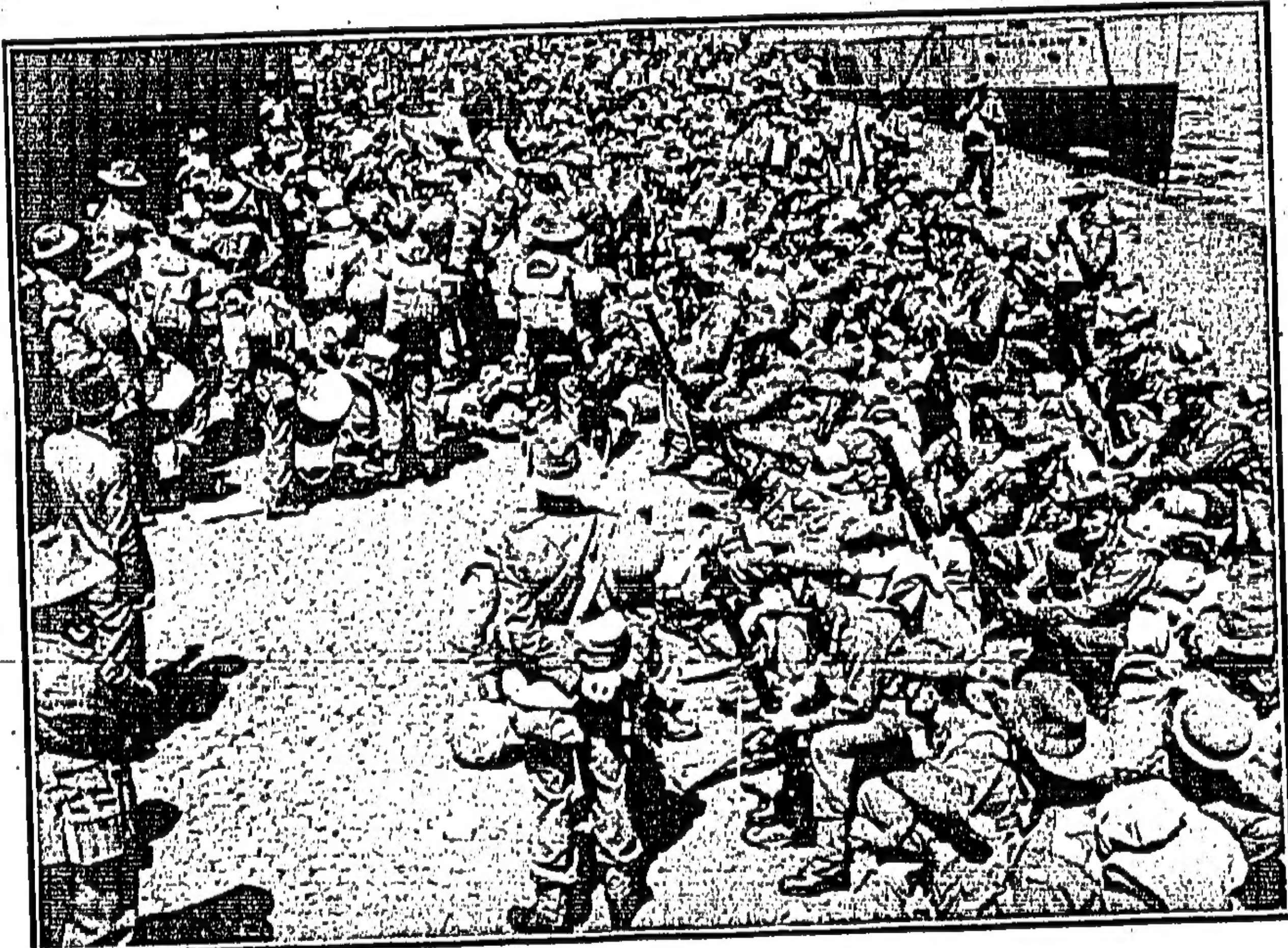


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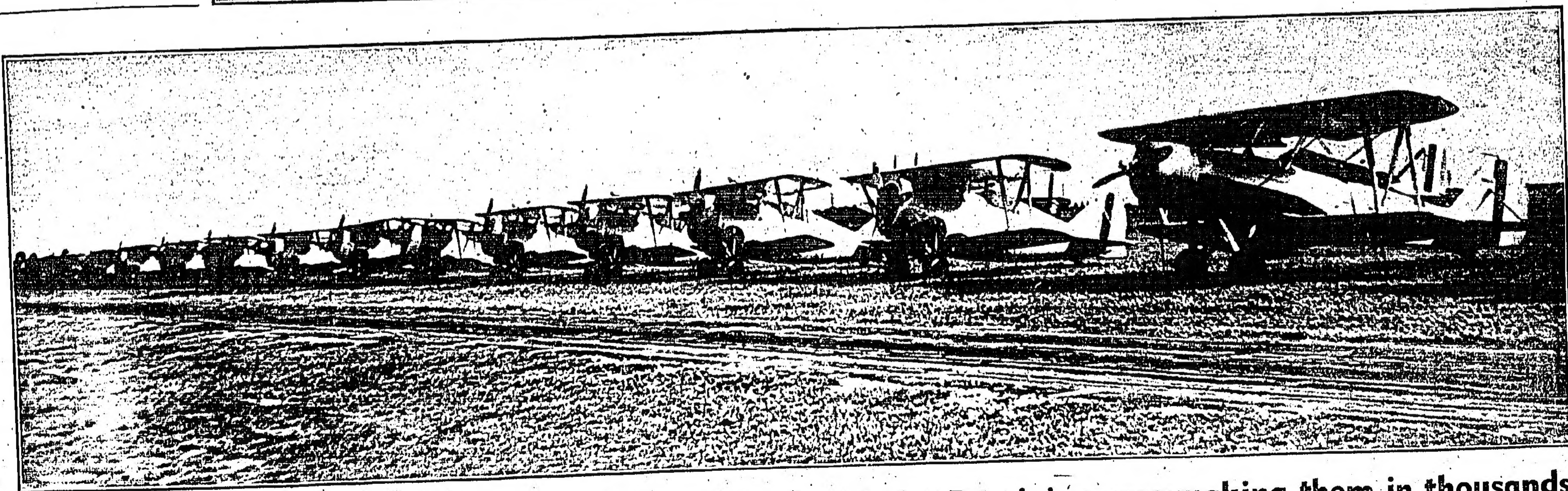


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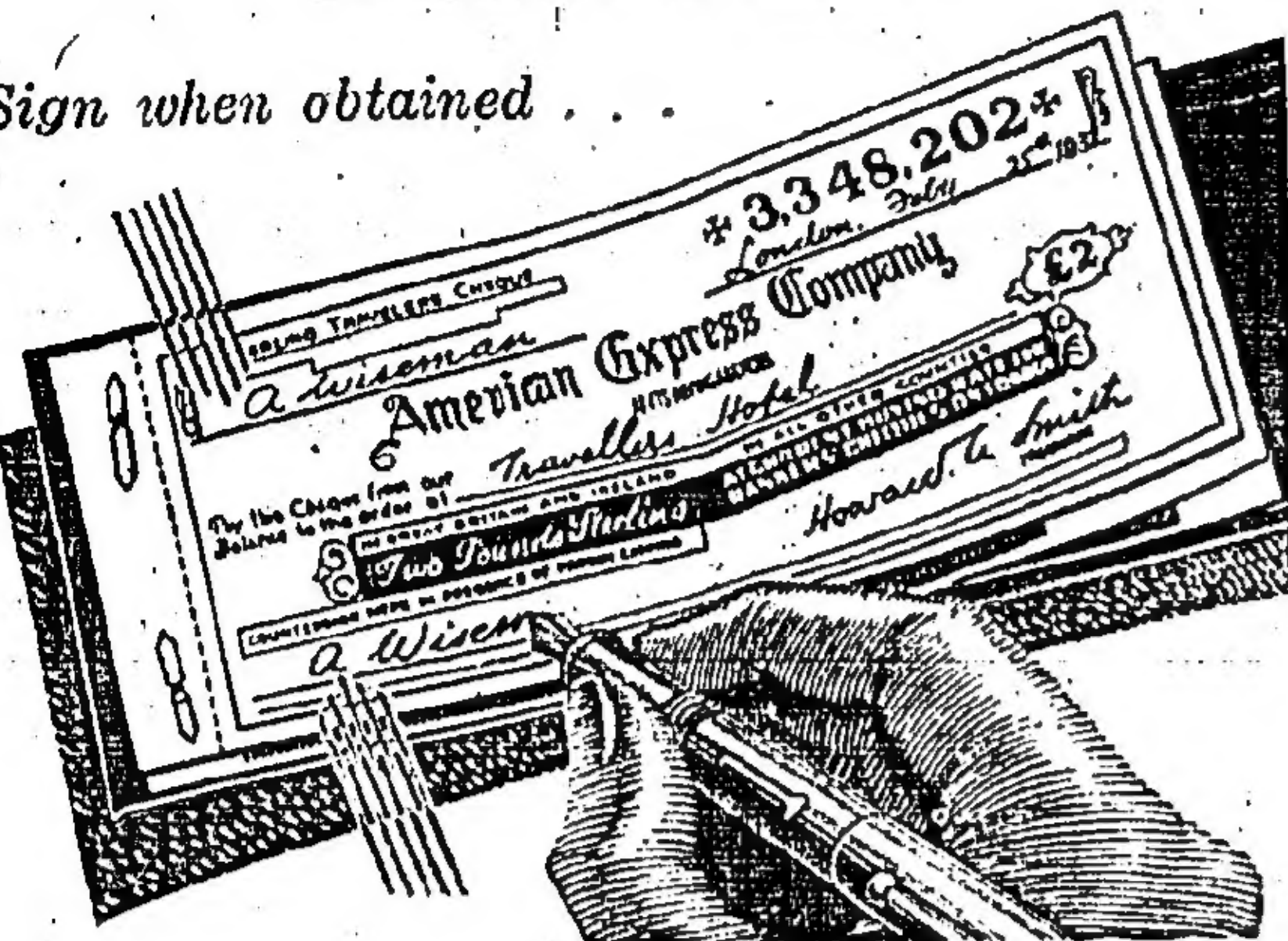
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TWO TELEGRAPH SATURDAY FEATURES

SCRUTINEER

The chief interest this week centres in the various speeches that have been made by Lord Halifax, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Cordell Hull, Mr. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill. The two former dealt very fully and faithfully with Hitler's so-called peace address, in which he declared over the industrial he had committed in the various countries he had so wantonly invaded and spoke of the might of German arms.

Hitler and Mussolini pretend that the subjugation of Britain is merely a matter of preparation and then attack. They regard it as something that must inevitably follow and be in accordance with previous plans of conquest. Still this so-called peace is delayed and the longer it is delayed the warmer will the reception of the enemy be.

Lord Halifax in rejecting Hitler's proposals clearly pointed out that the threatened invasion did not dismay the people of Britain. It was the confidence in the righteousness of their cause which furnished the spiritual strength, and provided an indomitable will to victory. The factories are providing the weapons by means of which this will be achieved. That is the key note of Britain today.

The country is solidly united. It knows where it stands and how it stands. It consists of a whole nation defending its hearth and home from which it has derived its way of life in politics and in religion. The country is the sanctuary of the Anglo-Saxon tradition of liberty on which such a vast portion of the world is modelled.

Trusteeship of that tradition is a heavy responsibility. It is also a privilege and will be defended by a free people in the interests of freedom. It is difficult to see how German and British standpoints can be reconciled. One must be destroyed.

War for Britain is not as it is to the Germans and the French—something inherent in national life. It is an eruption upon the Pax Britannica, English people did not desire of establishing a world peace, based on justice, good will and brotherhood after 1918. Pacifism in Britain became almost a religious test for the fitness of the individual to be a Christian.

Intellectuals flocked to the standards set up by the League of Nations under which the brave new world was to be ushered in. But the German standpoint is utterly opposed to such ideals.

"War forms part of the universal order instituted by God. Peace is a factor which to some extent completes war." A German editor, Dr. Schmidt said this. "Policy is the will to arrive at power not the desire to maintain peace," said General Klem.

In his Nuremberg speech in 1938, Hitler said: "The Germans do not ask any nation to love them." The gulf therefore between Lord Halifax and Herr Hitler is very wide indeed and is as difficult to cross as the English Channel is to the German invading force.

One of the most powerful indictments of Hitler came across the wireless on Wednesday night from the lips of Dorothy Thompson, the distinguished American writer.

It dealt incisively with the various charges the German publicly organs level against the British, and not merely did she rebut these charges but drove her points home by giving the facts from her own knowledge to substantiate her case.

The word plutocratic-war mongers is frequently heard over the German wireless and the statement is made that many of them have transferred their holdings to the United States. Seeing that wealth has been conscripted, and that everyone has to declare what securities he holds abroad, with dire penalties for not doing so, seeing that income tax is now 8/6 in the pound, and that a higher tax even than that is being demanded by reputable journals, seeing that excess profits are taxed one hundred per cent. It is extremely difficult to see how this charge can be made and maintained.

The German wireless does not claim, however, to be accurate. Its technique is based on Hitler's Mein Kampf, which assumes that the masses of Britain are as gullible and as docile as the German people. It is a twisted Lord Lothian's address the other day and made him say that if we can hold out until October there was some slight hope that we would survive. This of course is deliberately untrue. He said something quite different.

Then the speaker said that Germany was waiting to hear the Prime Minister's reply. Germany is doing nothing of the sort, seeing that listening to what the Prime Minister has to say would be a crime. The damning fact is, and it cannot be too frequently proclaimed, that German people suffer years of imprisonment and even incur the death penalty if they seek for any sort of information outside the Reich.

What impresses one is the audacity and the foolishness of these publicity people in Germany. When a nation like Britain has access, as in the case of Lord Lothian's speech, to the original statement and then listens to the German falsification of it, the whole German system becomes discredited.

The victory of the insurgents in Spain under Franco meant that the country became an appanage of the Axis powers. Germany quickly realised that the occupation of northern Spain would provide her with bases from which to launch the war, while Italy saw in the Civil War, which she promoted, an opportunity for consolidating her position in the Mediterranean.

Although a number of liberal-minded Roman Catholic priests strongly supported the Republicans, the Pope gave his blessing to General Franco.

Communism was the bogey that ostensibly united these three elements. This however, did not prevent Germany from coming to terms later with the Communist government in Russia.

In 1937 Captain Liddell Hart wrote that "Strategically, the danger is so

obvious that it is difficult to understand the eagerness with which some of the most avowedly patriotic sections of the British people have desired the rebels' success. Spain's development into a military power with Fascist ties would be a potential threat not only to the French colonies, but to Britain's power to control the western outlet from the Mediterranean. A naval force could hardly be maintained at Gibraltar in face of a hostile air force on the mainland."

There was at one time the comfortable belief that after the civil war, Spain would be so utterly exhausted that she would need financial assistance and the only country from which it could come was Britain. The price of such help would be the exclusion of the Italians and the Germans.

But unfortunately money under the Axis system of barter is not necessary. Spain is an exporting country, her iron ore mines in the Pyrenees and her copper mines provide just the material Italy and Germany require and for these manufactured goods, as well as armaments can be given in exchange.

We are concerned about Gibraltar, the key to the Mediterranean. When the "Times" correspondent in June 1937 asked General Franco whether he did not think that Gibraltar might be a bone of contention between him and Britain he replied he had no fear of that kind as Gibraltar was of so little value to us.

The fortress is strongly defended against attack from the sea, but it was always assumed that Spain would be either a friendly power or at least never strong enough to launch an attack from land. The position is not now so satisfactory, if Spain allows German and Italian troops to occupy Spain. There are elements in Spain very antagonistic to Franco, and it is probable that he would try to unite them by this appeal to sentiment. The danger whose position is insecure will always seek to busy giddy minds with foreign quarrels.

The United States apparently is going to recognise the Petain Government. As it has been constitutionally established it is the right course to take.

America has always had a sentimental attachment to France, since the war of 1776, when the French soldiers aided the Colonists in their fight for the liberty and freedom which they themselves did not possess. However, in 1789, inspired by the example of America they did succeed in throwing off the shackles of despotism and in grateful recognition of the sympathy of the United States they presented New York with its famous Statue of Liberty.

During the days of prohibition a distinguished French traveller who had toured the states and had been converted by his vain efforts to get a reasonably good drink embarked on a liner in disgust.

When an American pointed proudly to the famous statue of Liberty as they were sailing down the Hudson, the Frenchman bitterly remarked: "Yes, we also raise statues to our illustrious dead."

It would perhaps be an appropriate gesture if French sympathisers in the States sent a replica of the statue to Paris with a wreath round the neck, but perhaps France needs no such reminder to-day. They earnestly hope the day of deliverance from the Nazi and Fascist yoke is not far distant.

...and Mr. PEPYS

July 10th.—Last night we did examine some most curious pictures which I believe were actual representations of country in Germany, and on which our drill instructor did teach us the art of describing and recognising country. But Lord I think how arbitrary the Army is about colours, allowing so few for descriptive use. Up betimes this day and busy in my office. Though there seems a lull in the war, which I do take to be to our advantage in preparations. To the Clubbe this evening as is my wont and home with my he-child after he has finished playing at Contract in the Card-room. Dined at once and so to bed.

21st.—(Lord's Day).—A fair day, but though it is not my turn of duty I must need to my office for a space and at a quarter of twelve to the Clubbe where I and Mr. John and Major O'Trigger who takes his luncheon with me. After some discourse, & taking a glass or two of sherry I am in my garden where comes Bill to play with us. After luncheon read in the garden beneath my trees until the fog did roll up at which I was mightily put out. Dined with Mr. Caldbeck and home pretty betimes and so to bed.

22nd.—Very busy all day at the office though I do find an hour to have Misses Betty luncheon at the Hostelry, the first time that I have entered there in this month. Later I am so thronged with business that I must needs miss my exertion with the train-bands, but I do believe I do more important work. It is full seven of the clock before I am come to the Clubbe & there I fell into talk with Major Cyril, Mr. John and some others. Of the lull in the war there was much debate, some likening it to the first few months of the contest, while others believe that the Hun likes not the prospect of active invasion as much as he did bragging about it before-hand. But it seems agreed that time is in our favour.

23rd.—In the news-sheets there is much talk of the evacuation on which opinions do seem much divided, some having excellent reports from their ladies, some cheerful and a few it seems tragique. But of the full truth I doubt we shall not be aware for some long time. For much hangeth upon health, and nerves, while as Creed said to-day,

both forgive his operation. Went to bed very late as he was sleeping peacefully upon my stomach and I had not the heart to disturb him until he woke.

24th.—This day when my boy calls me he says that there has been a burger in the house during the night, so when I have bathed and trimmed myself I do go down to enquire. But Lord! he seemed a passing strange thief for having risked his life to climb into my he-child's bed-room where a slip had cut him a hundred feet upon the concrete of Severn Road, he did not open the drawer in the room and took nothing from the verandah save an orange which he ate and left the skin upon the hall-table. And indeed for this I doubt we had never known of his entry for he did close the front door after him. In the room that was Misses Anne's he opened all the drawers but did find nothing, while the silver goblets upon the mantel-piece were not touched. Nor did he climb the stairs to my own room upon the leads for I had notes lying loose upon my dressing table. At breakfast I did reprove Ba that he did not rouse the house but I fear he is too friendly a beast. Resolved with my he-child to take more precautions in the future.

25th.—This morning heavy rain falls but it clears later and the day is fair. More and more talk in the correspondence of the news-sheets about the evacuation, some well considered, but more not, though this can be understood in the strain of the whole occurrence. Very busy all day in my office where each day work seems to increase. Home betimes dined early and so to bed.

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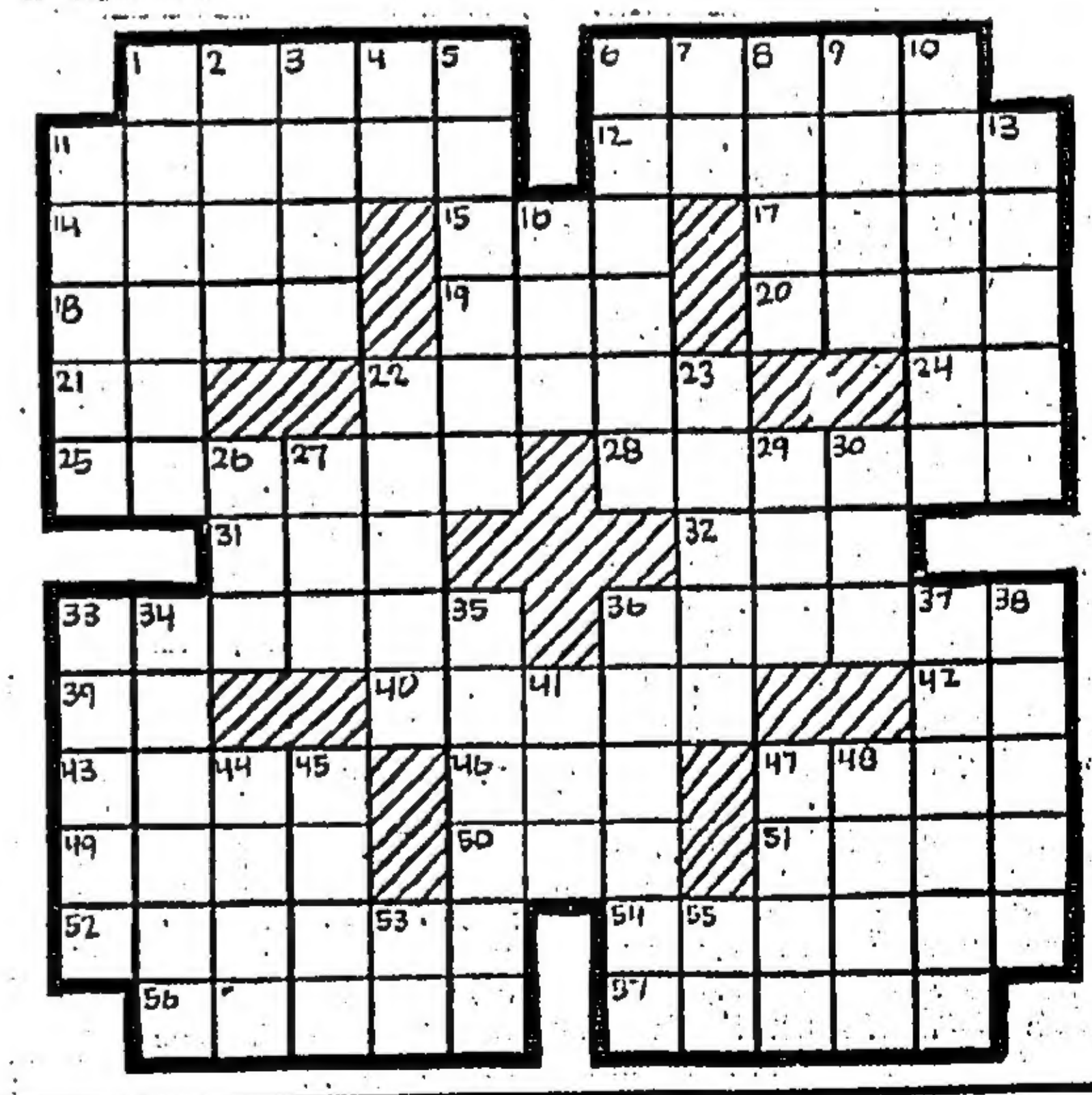
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ACROSS

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- 2—Months
- 3—Calendrical narrative
- 4—Chinese fabric
- 5—Thurston
- 6—Expert aviators
- 7—Male descendant
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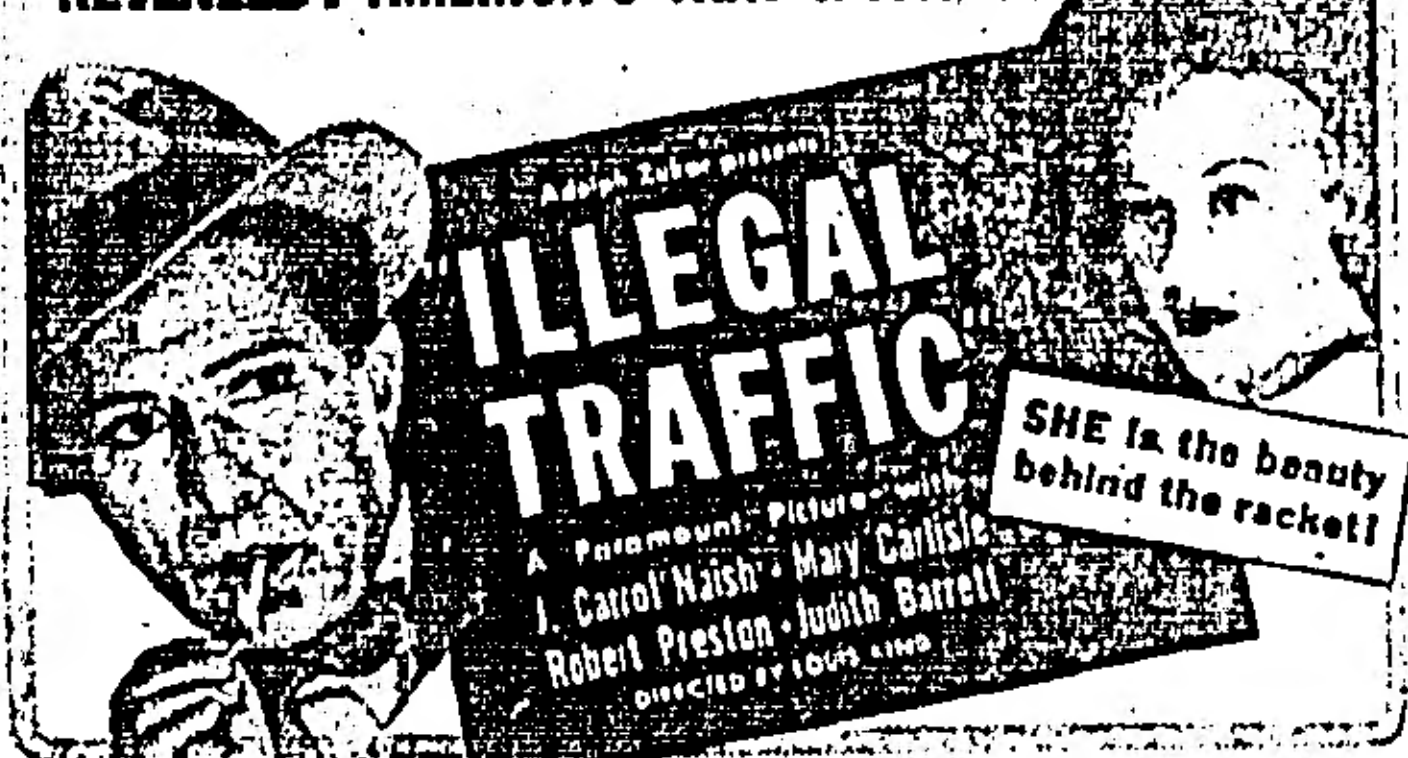
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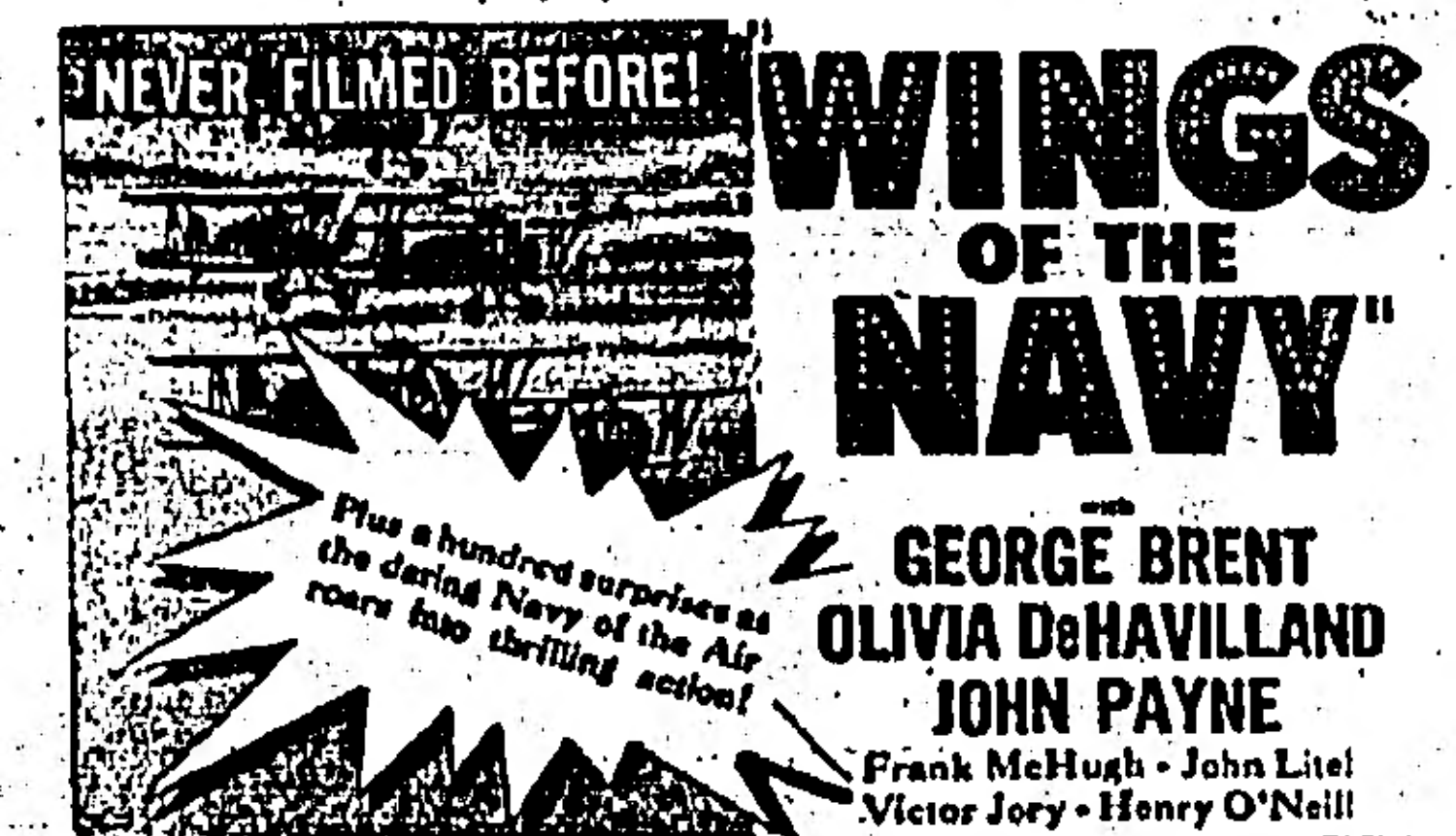
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LATE NEWS

3,000 PLANES A MONTH

WASHINGTON, July 26 (Reuter).—Mr. William Knudsen, Chief production expert of the National Defence Commission, stated that the plan announced by Lord Beaverbrook for the production of 3,000 planes a month for Britain in the United States would require the construction of 38 new factories.

Production at this rate, he estimated, could not be reached before the middle of 1942.

Mr. Knudsen said the British Purchasing Commission had asked the American Defence Commission to estimate the cost of creating facilities for the manufacture of planes on this scale, and the estimates would be ready for the week-end.

American aircraft production of all types, except smaller commercial machines, is expected to total 885 during August, but this will be considerably increased by October.

Next month's production will include 236 military planes for Britain and 306 for the United States.

The Wright Aeronautical Corporation has borrowed \$62,000,000 from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to build a new aero-engine factory which will increase the Company's capacity by about 1,000 engines a month.

Air Raids in Mind

Leaving £600 to his sister, Robert Conway Fish, pawnbroker, of The Croft, Pridaux-road, Eastbourne, directed that if any of his business premises or stock should be destroyed by enemy action, appreciably reducing the business profits, then, the legacy should be revoked.

COL. MARY BOOTH INTERNEED

LONDON, July 26 (Reuter).—It is learned in London that the Germans have interned Colonel Mary Booth, leader of the Salvation Army in Belgium, at Constance.

FOOTBALL MEETING

Committees and Officials
Appointed for Year

NEW APPLICATIONS

Formal business was dealt with by the Council of the Hongkong Football Association at a meeting held at the Bank of Canton Building yesterday. The Chairman, Mr. Wang Katsun, revealed that H.E. Mr. N. L. Smith had accepted the Presidency of the Association, and the Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo had accepted the office of Vice-President.

THEFTS FROM CARS

Mr. H. A. Taylor, of the Imports and Exports Department, had a rattan basket containing tennis kit stolen from his car, parked outside the Hongkong Cricket Club on Thursday.

A radiator cap was stolen from car No. 3057, belonging to Mr. E. V. de Souza, when it was left outside No. 232 Nathan Road, Kowloon, on Thursday.

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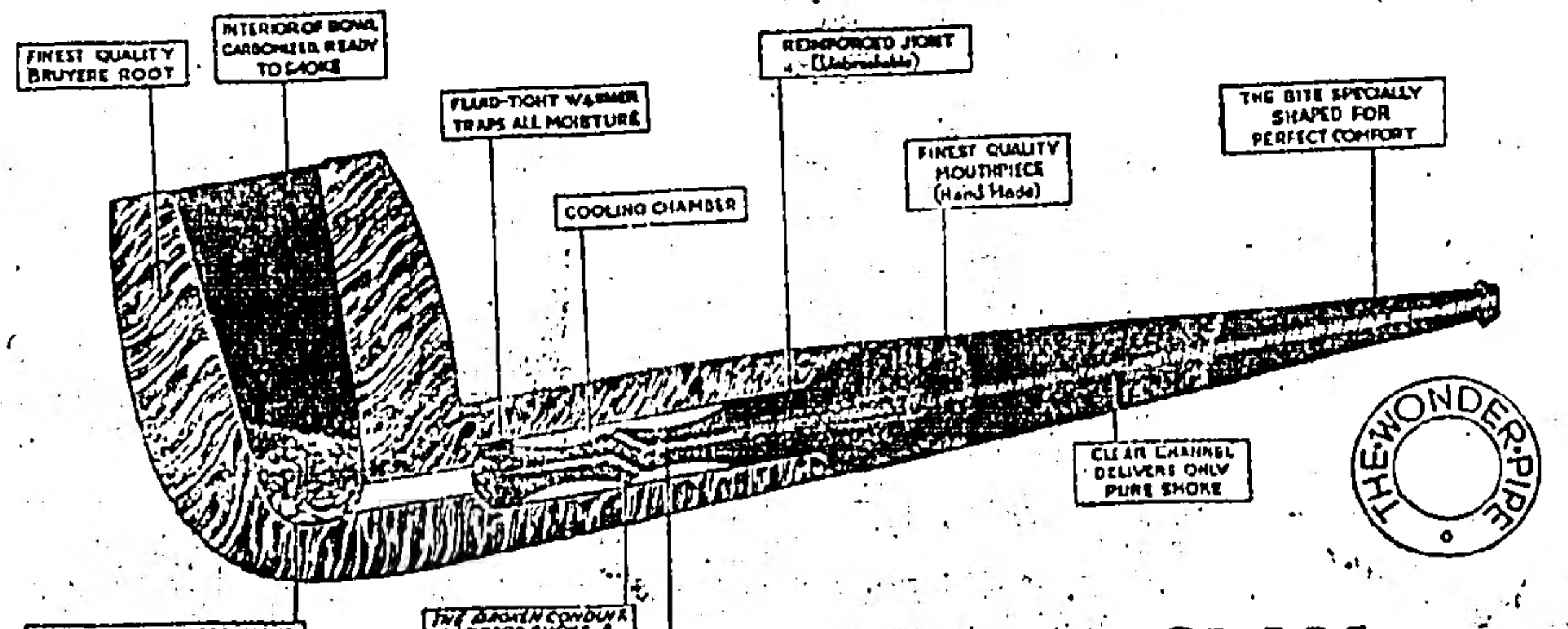
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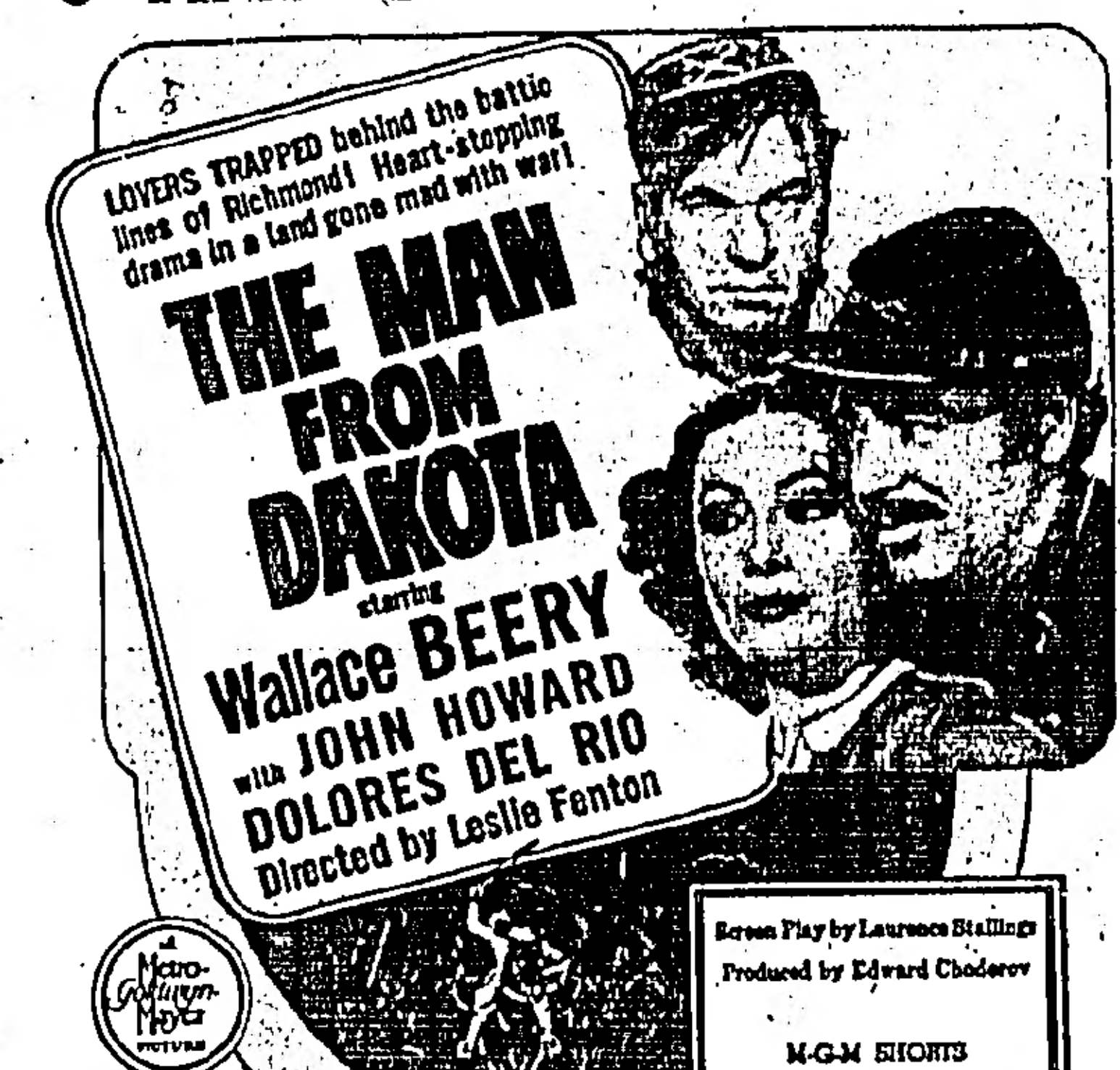
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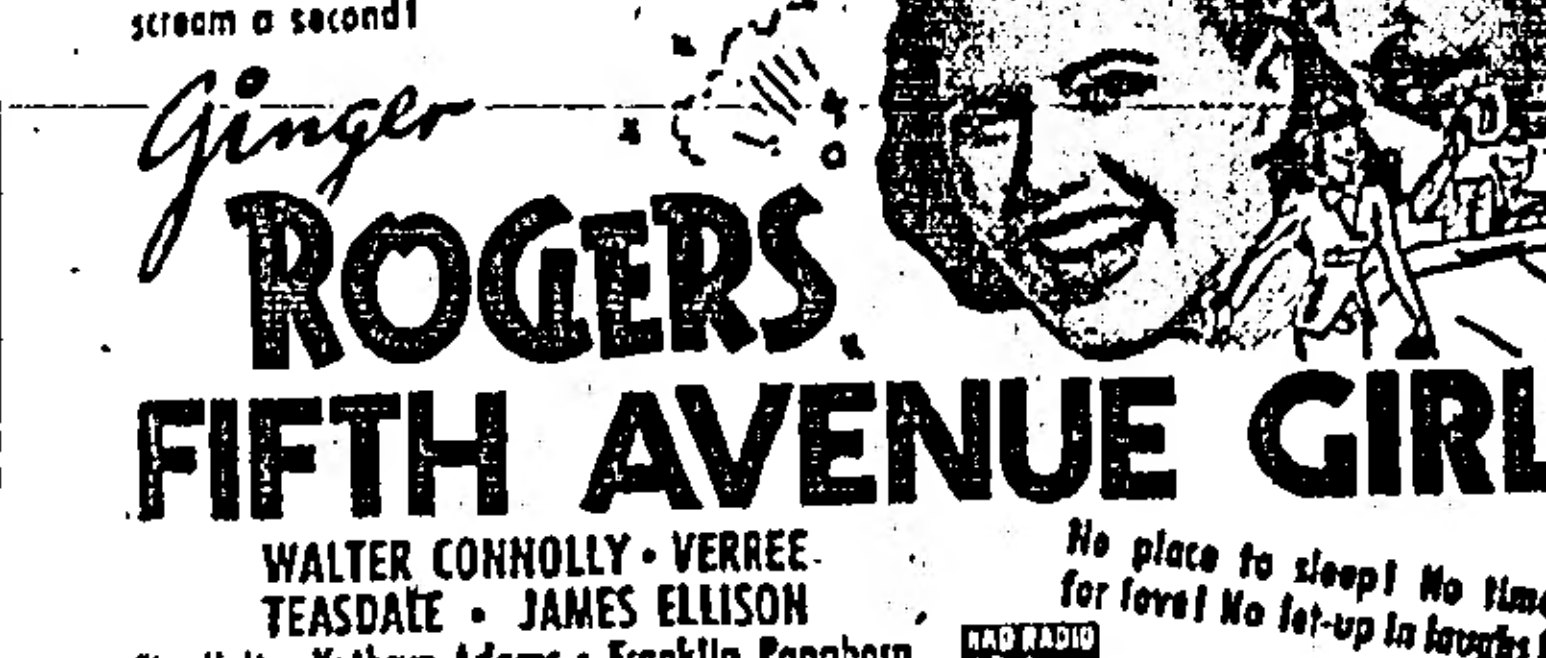
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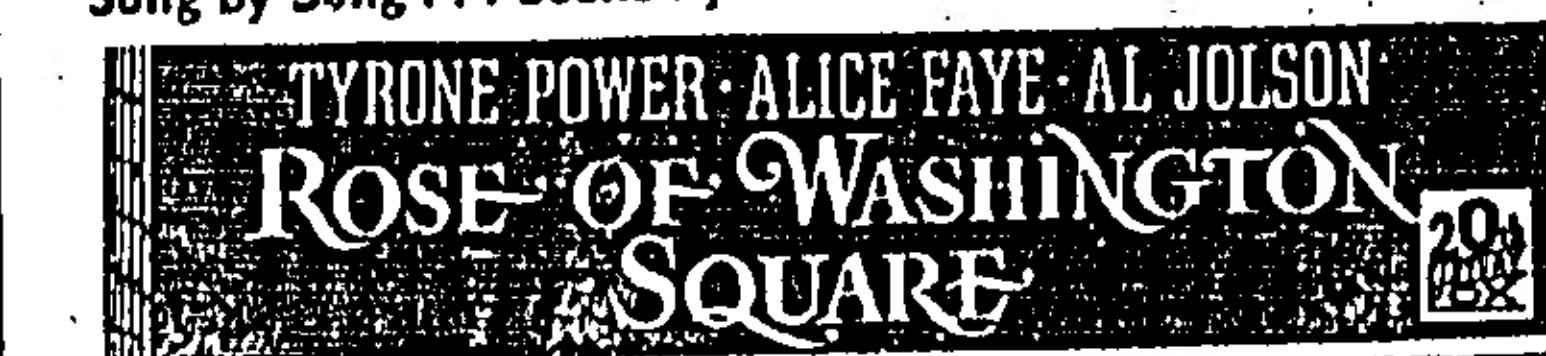
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